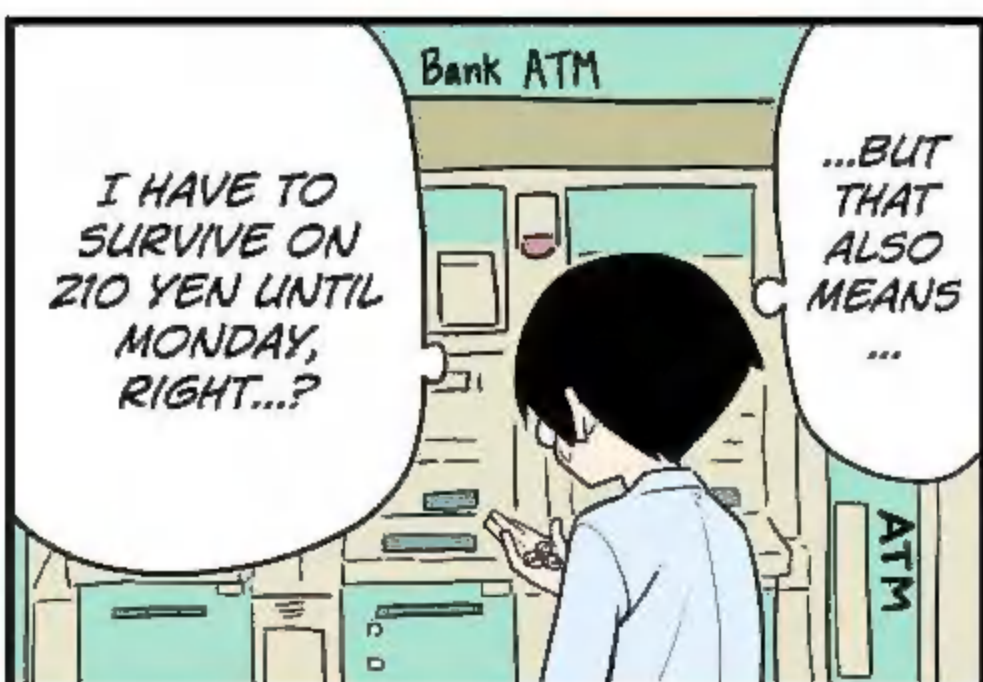




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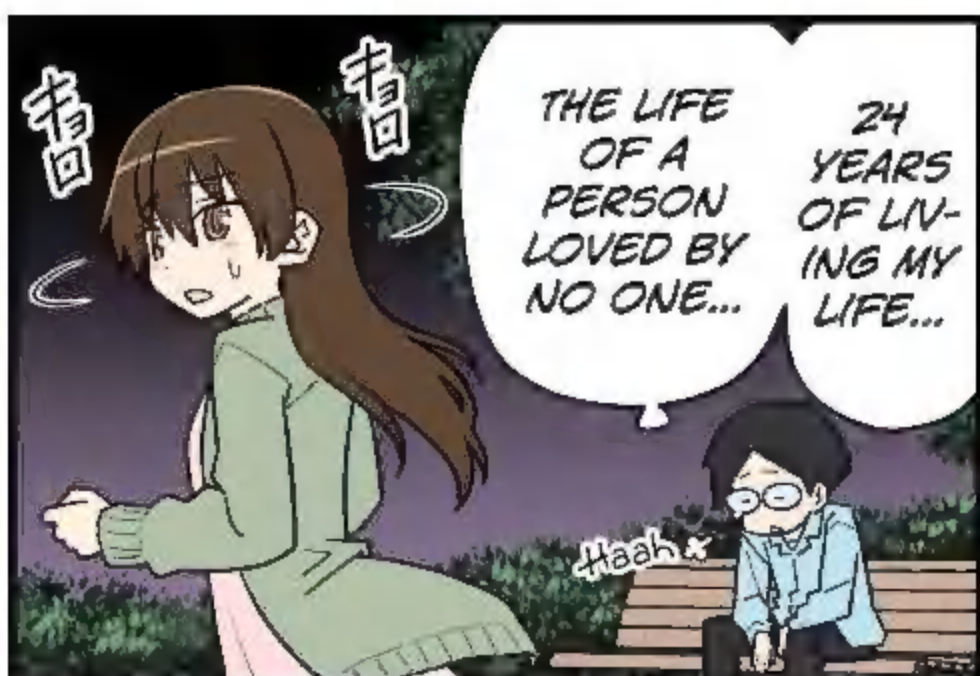
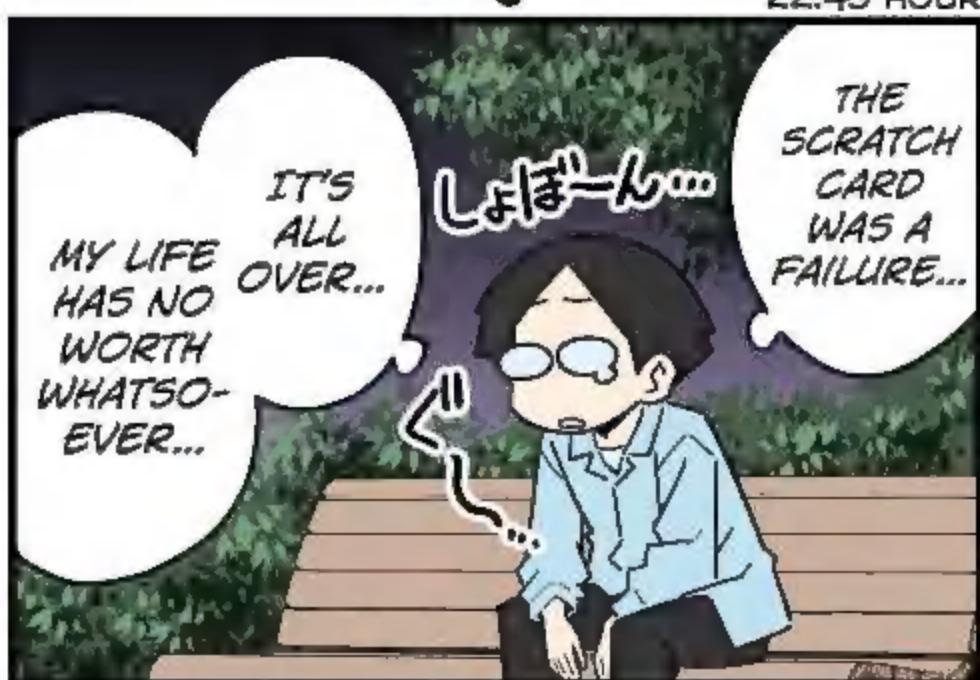
Day 2...



Days before marriage: 98

Day 3...

22:45 HOUR



Days before marriage: 97

Day 4...

00:02 HOUR

I CAN AT
LEAST GET
SOME CUP
RAMEN
WITH THIS...

YES!

THERE'S
STILL
320 YEN
ON MY
SUICA!



Days before marriage: 96

Day 5...

I'LL GET
SOME
BARGAIN
BENTO AT
THE MARKET.
220 YEN.

I HAVE
MY
SALARY
AND
SEVER-
ANCE
PAY-
MENT.

I WON'T
HAVE ANY
INCOME
FOR A
WHILE,
SO I'LL
NEED TO
SPEND IT
WISELY.



SO I BOUGHT
ALL THE
NECESSARY
CAT GOODS
I WILL NEED
FOR THE
MOMENT.
8637 YEN.



I TOOK
IN A CAT
THAT WAS
CLEARLY
LOST,

TOTAL COST
INCLUDING
THE SHAM-
POOING FEE
TO CLEAN
HIM OF ALL
THE DIRT:
23640 YEN.

ailed Examination Report
Name: Saga Hajime
Pet name: Mofu
¥ 23.640

IT SEEMED
PRETTY
HEALTHY,
BUT I TOOK
IT TO THE
HOSPITAL SO
IT COULD BE
EXAMINED.
JUST TO
BE SAFE.



Days before marriage: 95

Day 6...

**LOOKING FOR
THIS CAT!**



EH?

YEAH, YOU
CAN COME
OVER NOW.

**LOOKING FOR
THIS CAT!**



YES...
YES, HE'S
FINE...



BE...

B...

**BEN
JOHN-
SON!?**

うねああああん...



**BEN
JOHN-
SOON!!**

That's
the cat's
name...?

Days before marriage: 94

Day 1...

I ALWAYS
PRIORITIZE
A LOST
KITTEN
OVER
MY OWN
MEAL.

NO NO,

THANK
YOU VERY
MUCH
FOR
TAKING
CARE
OF MY
BABY...

OH,
I'D
LOVE
THAT.

ARE
YOU
SURE?

EH?

AH!
SO HOW
ABOUT I
TREAT YOU
OUT NEXT
TIME!



AM I
REALLY
GONNA EAT
OUT WITH
THIS GIRL
SOON?

WAIT,
HUH?

Days before marriage: 93

Day 8...

SO I'M
SURE
YOU
ARE...

MY BABY
ONLY GETS
ATTACHED
TO KIND
PEOPLE,

ONCE YOU
DECIDE ON
A STORE,
COME AND
LAIN ME♡

THANK
YOU SO
MUCH.

I'M
LOOKING
FORWARD
TO THIS!

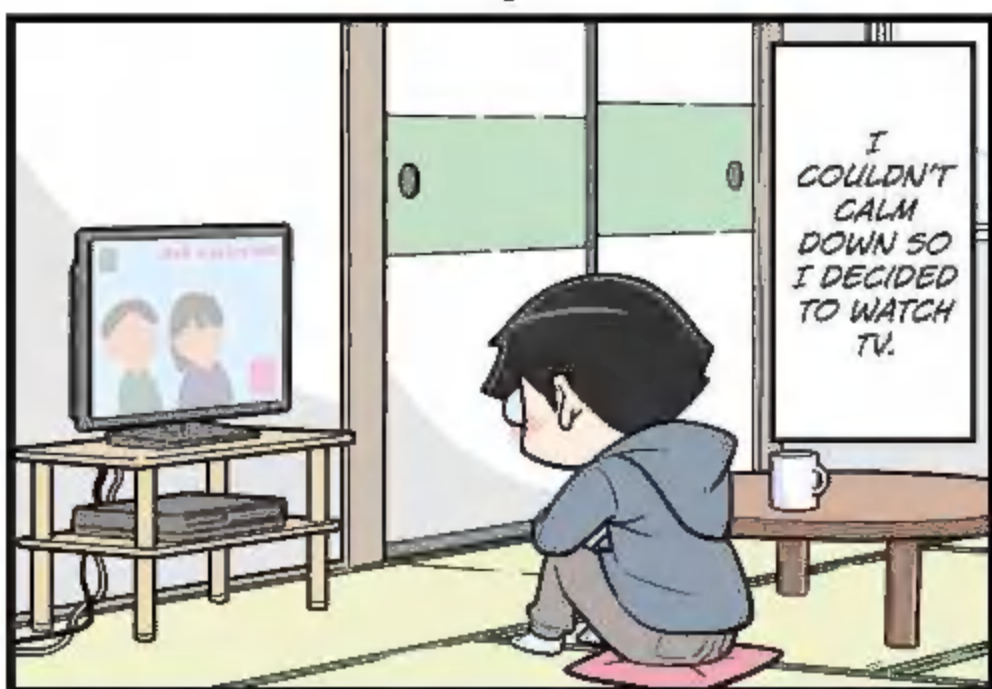
YES!

IS
A BAD
OTAKU
HABIT!

FALLING
SMACK IN
LOVE WITH
SOMEONE
WHO'S
KIND TO
YOU...

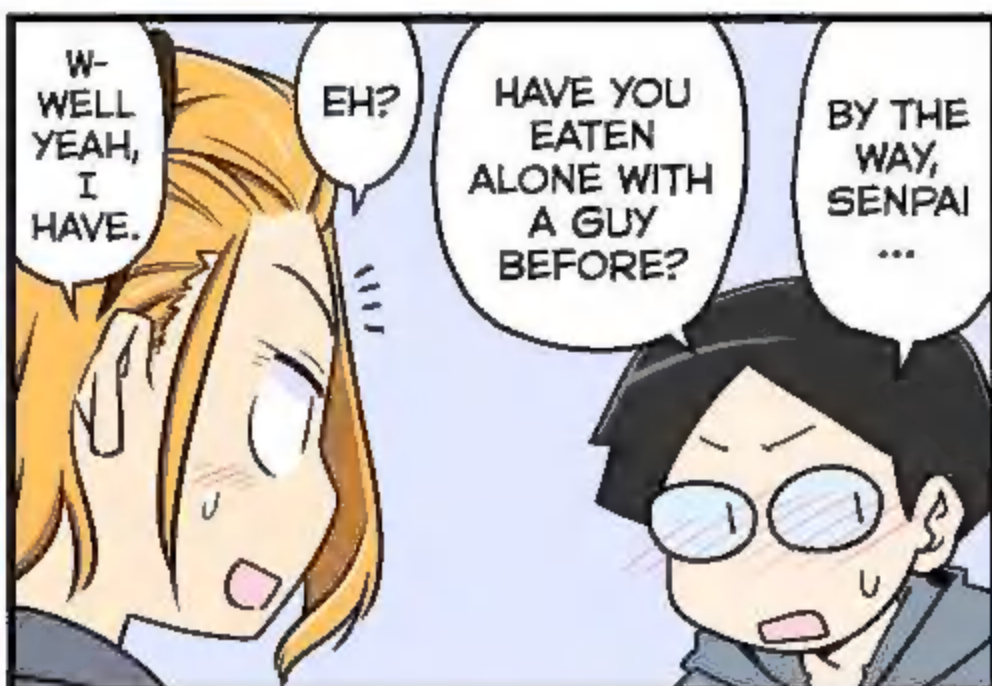
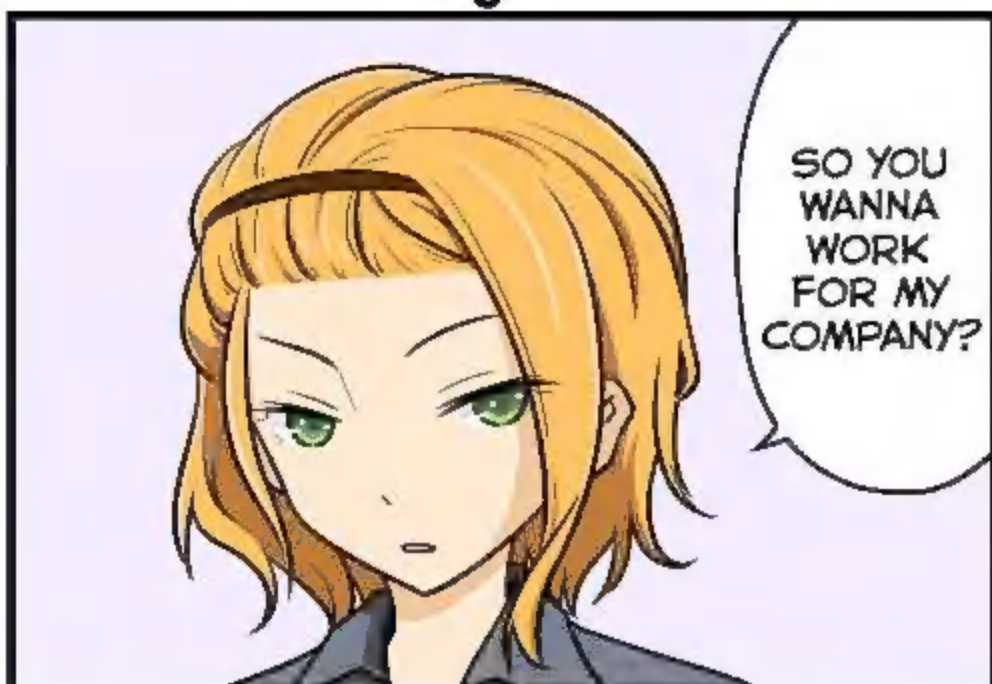
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Day 9...



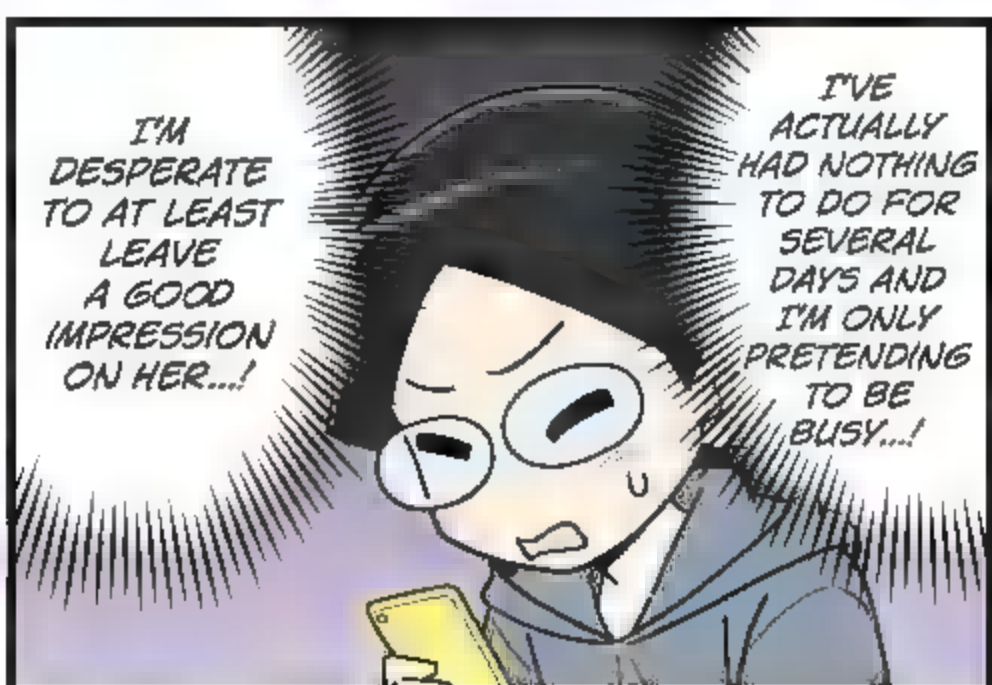
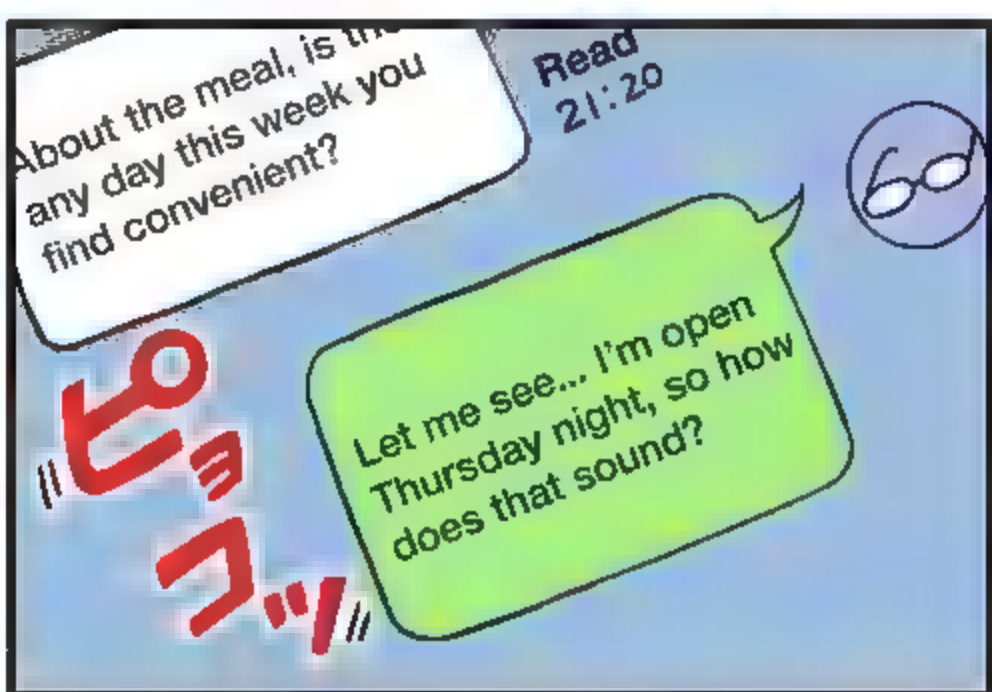
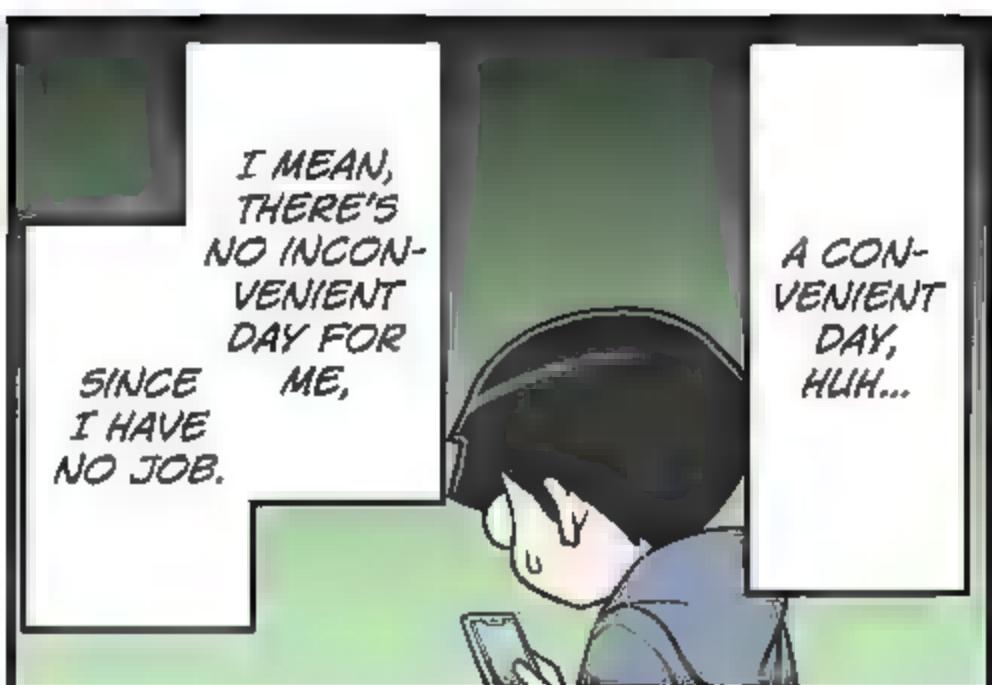
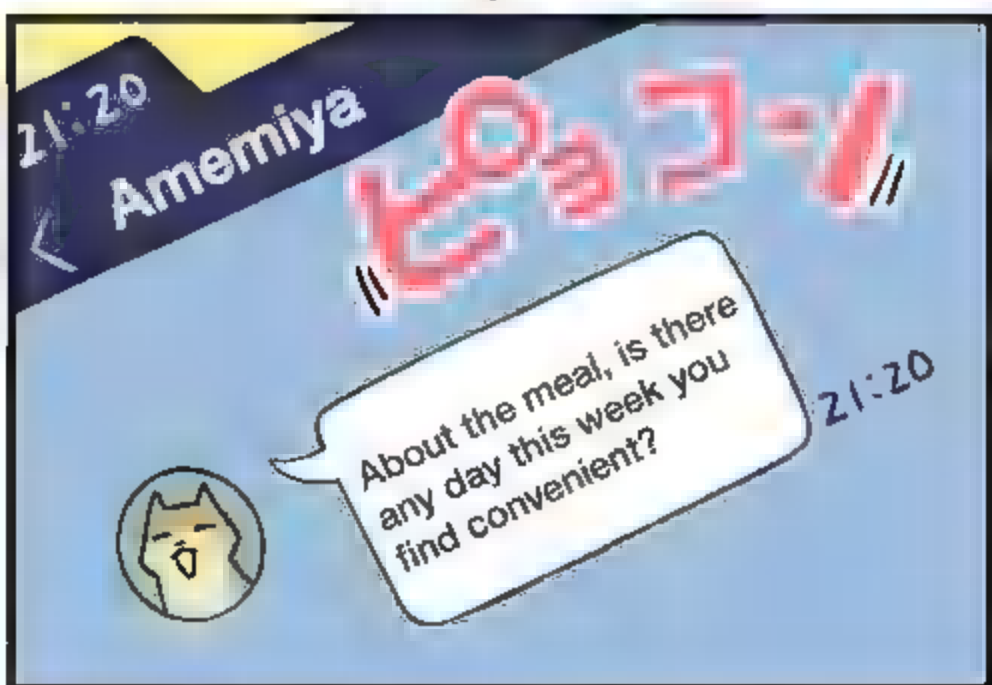
Days before marriage: 91

Day 10...



Days before marriage: 90

Day 11...



Days before marriage: 89

Day 12...

I'M SO NERVOUS, I CAN'T CONCENTRATE.

Thank you very much. I'm looking forward to this 🍷

I'M GOING TO EAT WITH A GIRL IN TWO DAYS.

TWO HOURS... WHAT CAN I TALK ABOUT?

A MEAL OUT TAKES ABOUT TWO HOURS...

MAYBE THAT CAN SUSTAIN A TWO HOUR CONVERSATION!

AH! I KNOW!
I HEARD LOVE LIVE IS POPULAR WITH GIRLS...

HEY, I CAN TALK ABOUT FGO FOR AN ENTIRE NIGHT!

OH, THEN WHAT ABOUT MADOKA OR SOMETHING!?

Days before marriage: 88

Day 13...

I WANT
TO TRY AND
PLAY A NICE
TRICK ON
HER.

APRIL
FOOL'S.



NO, I
DUNNO~
...

There's going to be
a typhoon this week,
so please be careful

WILL
SHE
LAUGH
IF I
SEND
THIS?

thanks



Pingli

I WAS
WAVERING
OVER
SUCH A
TASTELESS
LIE...

NO,
LET'S
NOT.



AH...

I SENT
IT BY
MISTAKE
...

Days before marriage: 87

Day 14...

I TRIED TO RESERVE A PLACE IN A HIDDEN RESTAURANT IN NISHI-AZABU. A PRIVATE ROOM.

THE DAY OF THE DINNER.

MY CLOTHES ARE DEFINITELY OUT OF PLACE IN THIS RESTAURANT.

OH CRAP...

SO I SHOULD'VE ACTUALLY DONE SOME RESEARCH ON WHAT CLOTHES TO WEAR!

I KNEW WHAT ABOUT WHAT THIS PLACE !? BEFORE COMING HERE...

NO, IT'S MY FAULT!

THE DINNER STARTED WITH A RANDOM, NONSEN-SICAL GREETING.

I I'M CAME SOR- A BIT RY! LATE!

Days before marriage: 86

Day 15...

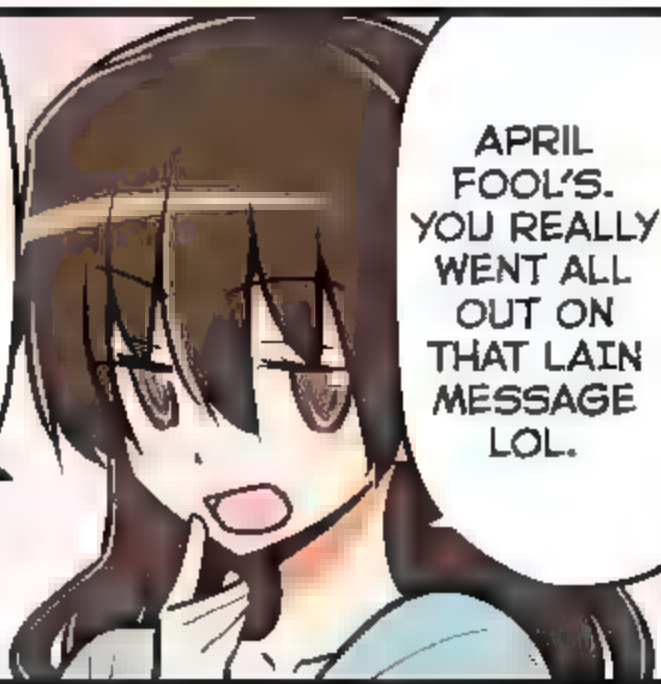
THINK-
ING
ABOUT
WHAT
HAP-
PENED
YESTER-
DAY.

I JUST
KEEP...



I MEAN,
FOR A
WRONG
MESSAGE,
IT WAS SO
UNSCIEN-
TIFIC LMAO.

APRIL
FOOL'S.
YOU REALLY
WENT ALL
OUT ON
THAT LAIN
MESSAGE
LOL.



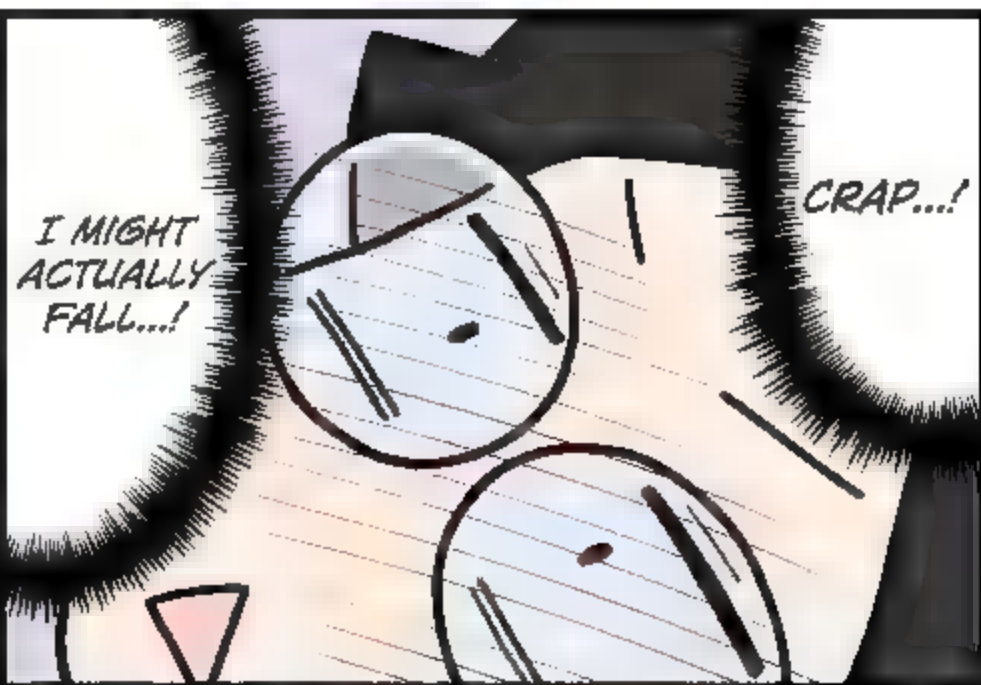
I WORE SOME
RANDOM STUFF
AS WELL, SO
HOW ABOUT
WE GO CRY
IN FRONT OF
THE RESTO
WORKERS
LATER AND
BEG FOR FOR-
GIVENESS? ☆

EH?
YOUR CLOTH-
ES?



I MIGHT
ACTUALLY
FALL...!

CRAP...!



Days before marriage: 85

Day 16...

THERE'S NO WAY...
THAT PERSON
WILL MAKE
ME FALL
IN LOVE
WITH HER!

IT'S
HAPPENED
SO MANY
TIMES
BEFORE...
AND I'VE
BEEN
THROUGH
PAIN!

OH NO...!
WHAT'LL
I DO IF
IT GETS
SERIOUS
...!



キラキラ...



IT GETS
SERIOUS...!

WHAT
IF...



Days before marriage: 84

Day 17...

SO
I GUESS
I WON'T BE
SEEING HER
ANYMORE...

BUT THE
DINNER
IS OVER
NOW...

BUT IS
THERE A
REASON
TO...

I KNOW
HER
CONTACT
NUMBER,

WHA?

HUH,
WHEN
DID IT
DISA...

...
WAIT,
HUH?
MY
PHONE'S
GONE?

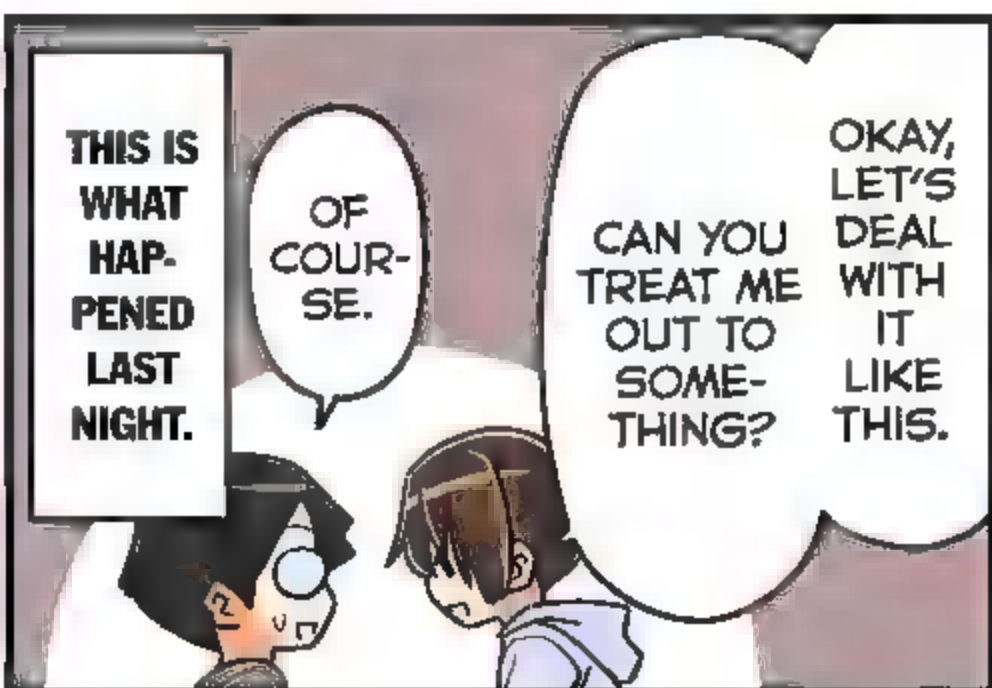
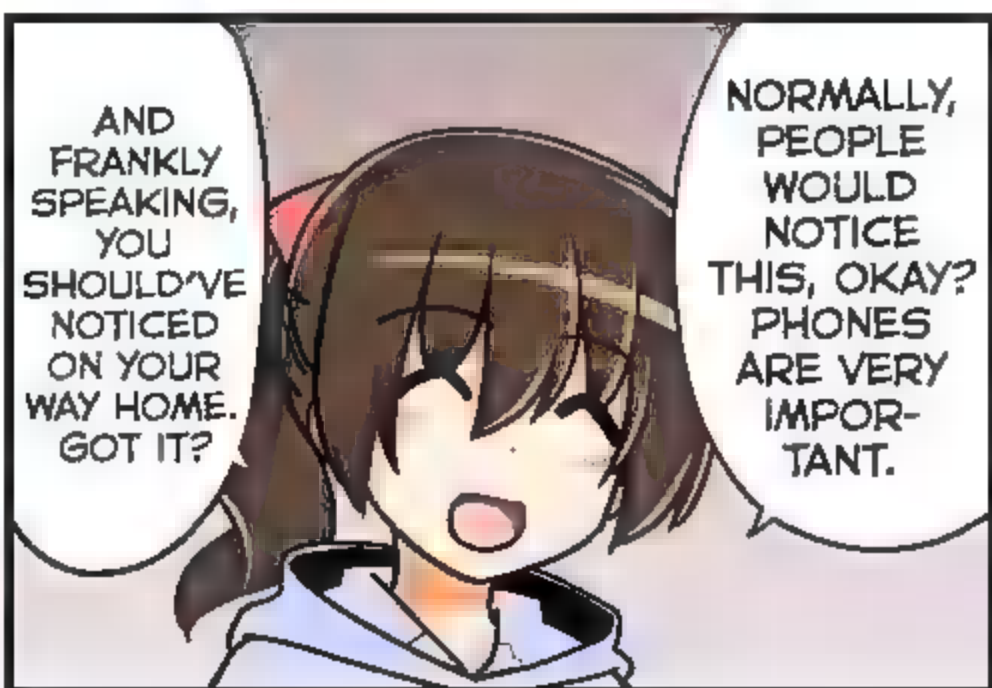
Ding dong

WHA?

...

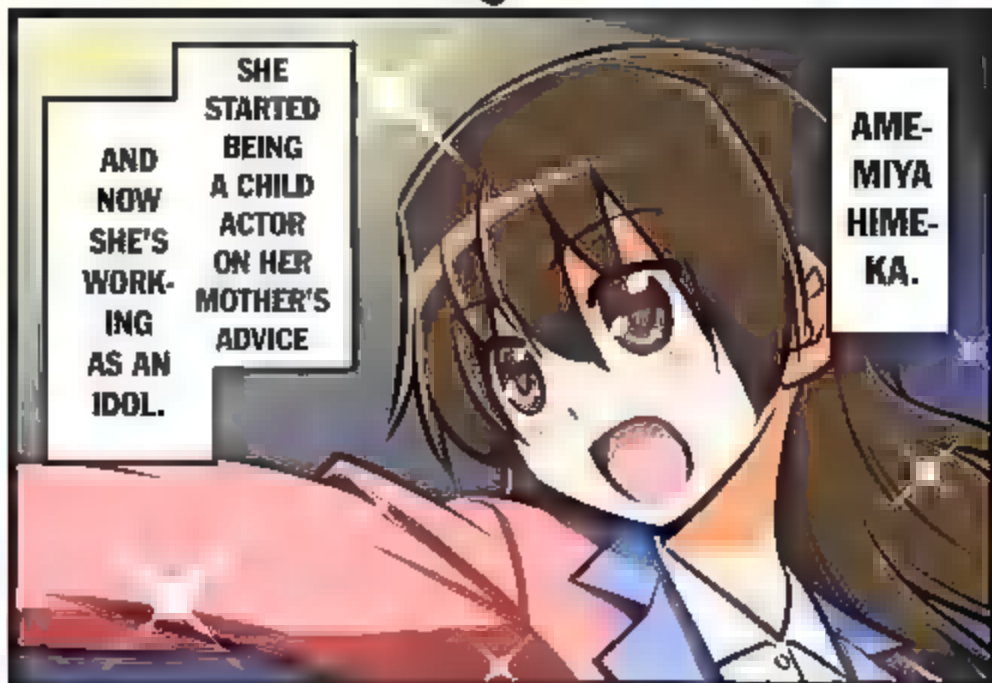
Days before marriage: 83

Day 18...



Days before marriage: 82

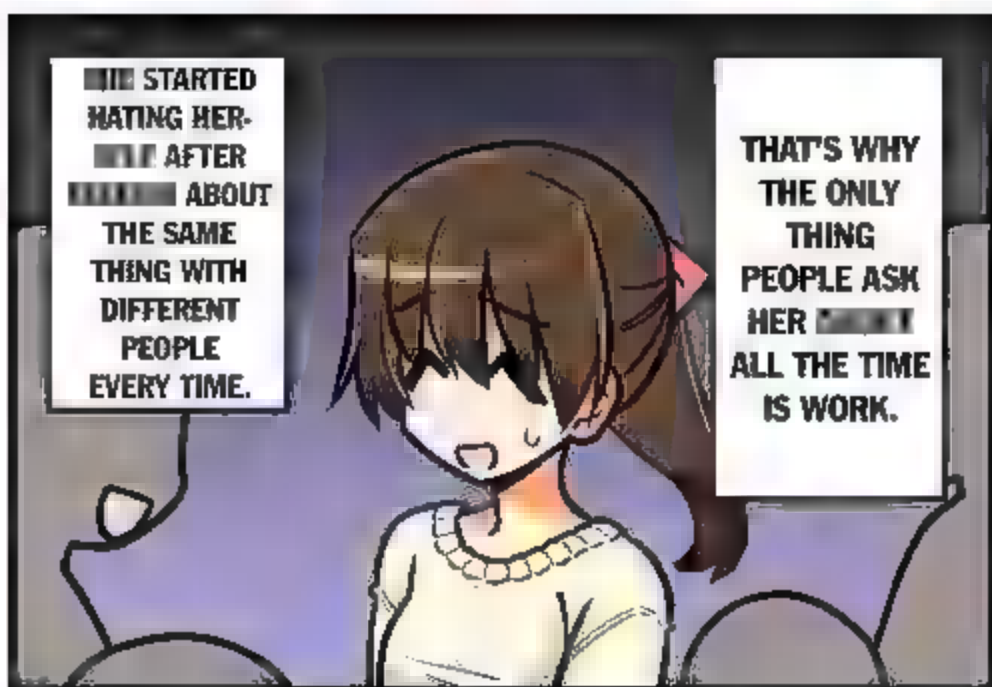
Day 19...



AND NOW SHE'S WORKING AS AN IDOL.

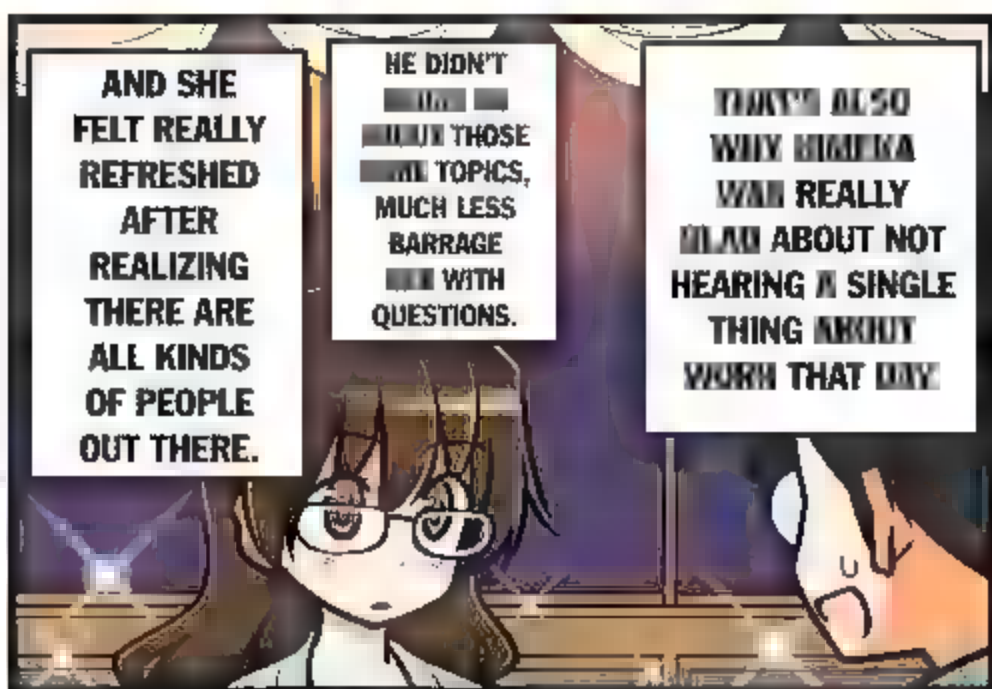
SHE STARTED BEING A CHILD ACTOR ON HER MOTHER'S ADVICE

AME-MIYA HIMEKA.



HE STARTED HATING HER- AFTER ABOUT THE SAME THING WITH DIFFERENT PEOPLE EVERY TIME.

THAT'S WHY THE ONLY THING PEOPLE ASK HER ABOUT ALL THE TIME IS WORK.



AND SHE FELT REALLY REFRESHED AFTER REALIZING THERE ARE ALL KINDS OF PEOPLE OUT THERE.

HE DIDN'T ABOUT THOSE TOPICS, MUCH LESS BARRAGE WITH QUESTIONS.

THAT'S ALSO WHY HIMEKA WAS REALLY GLAD ABOUT NOT HEARING A SINGLE THING ABOUT WORK THAT DAY.



SHE STARTED TAKING AN INTEREST IN HIM.

I HAVE TO MAKE SURE I AVOID TALKING ABOUT WORK AT ALL COSTS...

IF I TALK ABOUT WORK, SHE'LL FIND OUT I HAVE NO JOB...

REASONS WHY ASIDE ...

Days before marriage: 81



ARE YOU
GOING TO
TAKE ME
SOMEWHERE
AS AN
APOLOGY?


SO?

THIS IS
WHAT
TOOK
PLACE
A FEW
NIGHTS
AGO.



WH...
WHERE
DO YOU
THINK IS
A GOOD
PLACE
...?

OH...
UHH...



THIS IS
SOME-
THING YOU
HAVE TO
ANSWER,
AS A
MAN~...

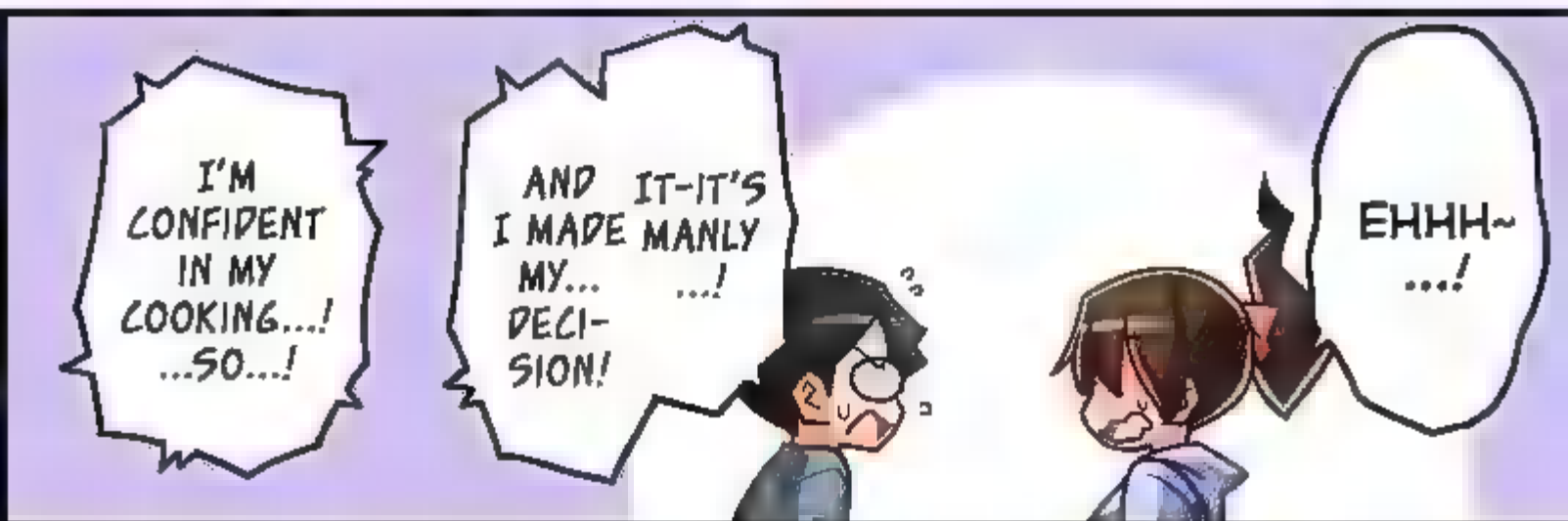
ARE
YOU
REALLY
ASKING
A GIRL
ABOUT
THIS~?

UHH~

MY
PLACE...



O...
OKAY, I'M
GOOD AT
COOKING.
SO...



■ ENDED
UP MAKING
PLANS TO
■ TO ■
PLACE
ALONE...

WHEN
SHE TRIED
ACTING
LIKE ■
COMPOSED
ADULT
LADY...



BUT
WE'RE
GOING
TO BE
ALONE
IN HIS
HOME...

I DON'T
EVEN
KNOW A
SINGLE
THING
ABOUT
HIM, YET
...

WHAT
DO I
DO
NOW...



HAJIME-
SAN
ACTUALLY
INVITED
ME TO HIS
HOME...

BUT...

OR
THINGS
WILL GET
REALLY
AWK-
WARD
WHEN
I GO
TO HIS
ROOM
....!

I HAVE
TO ACT
LIKE THIS
IS NO
PROBLEM
FOR ME...

N-NO.
DON'T
GET
FLUS-
TERED
HERE.



HE'S
ACTUALLY
A REALLY
AMAZING
LADIES
MAN...

MAYBE
DESPITE
HIS NAIVE
APPEAR-
ANCE...

!! 7 →

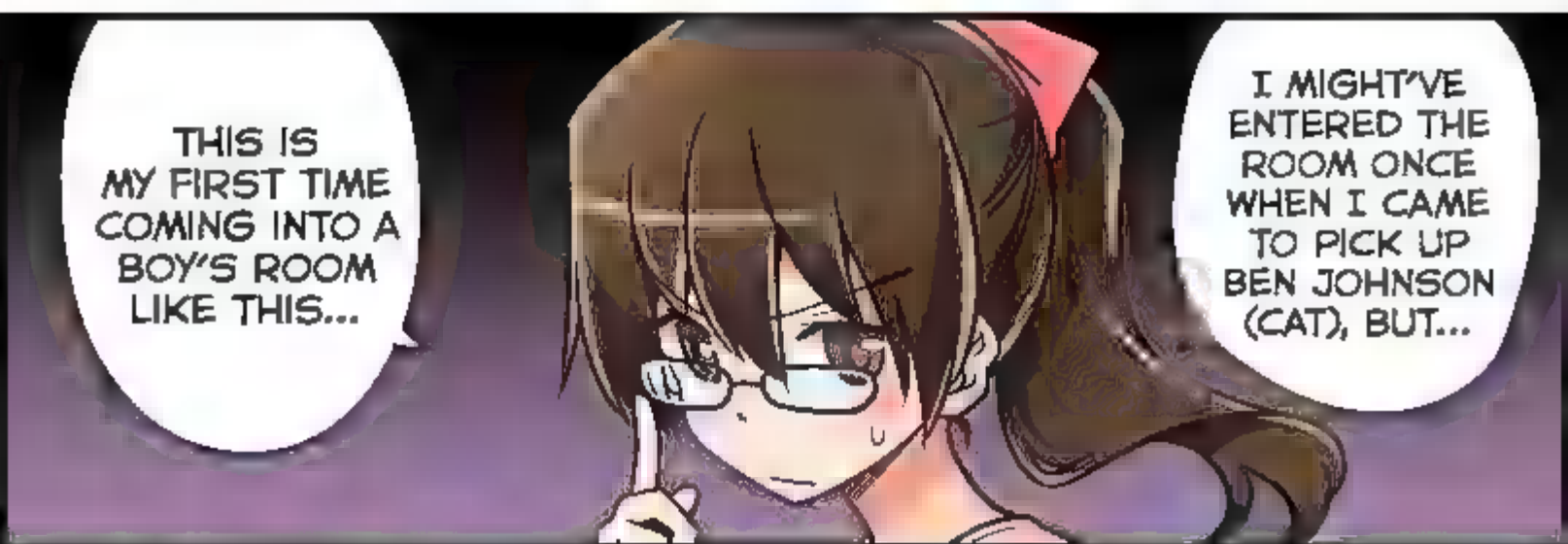
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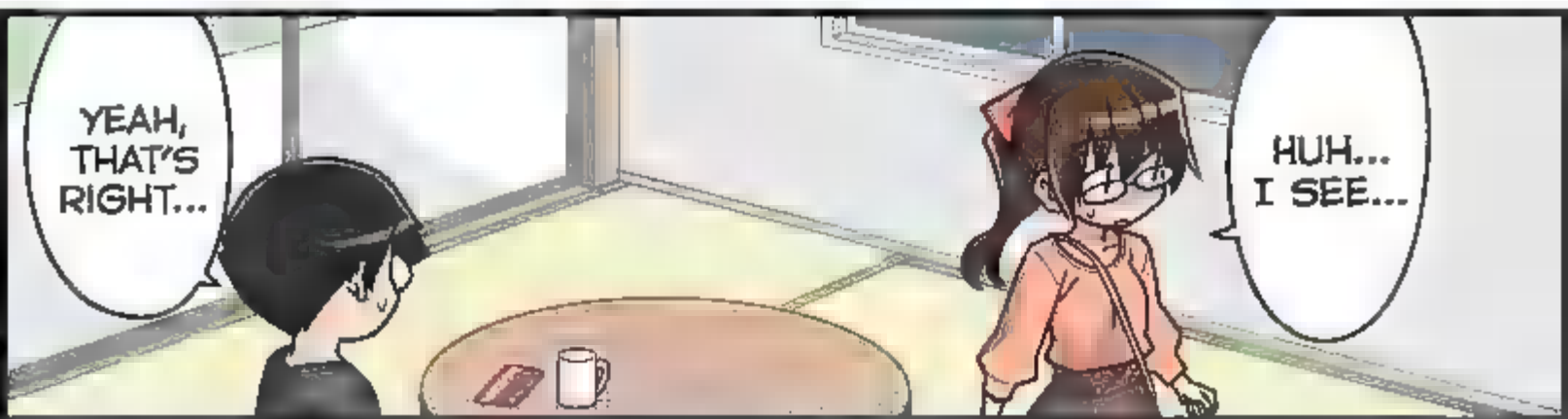
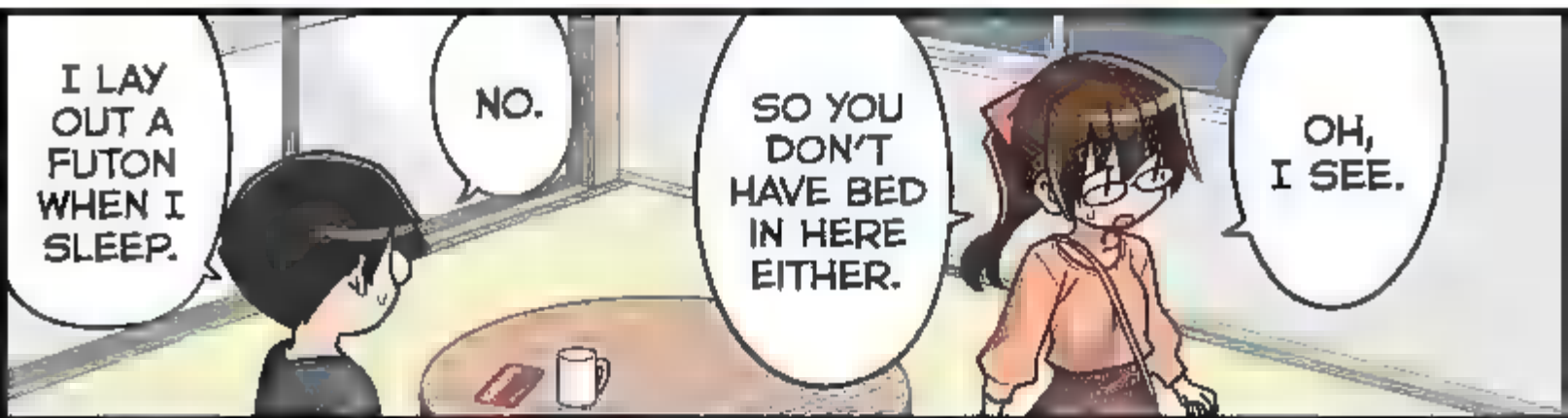
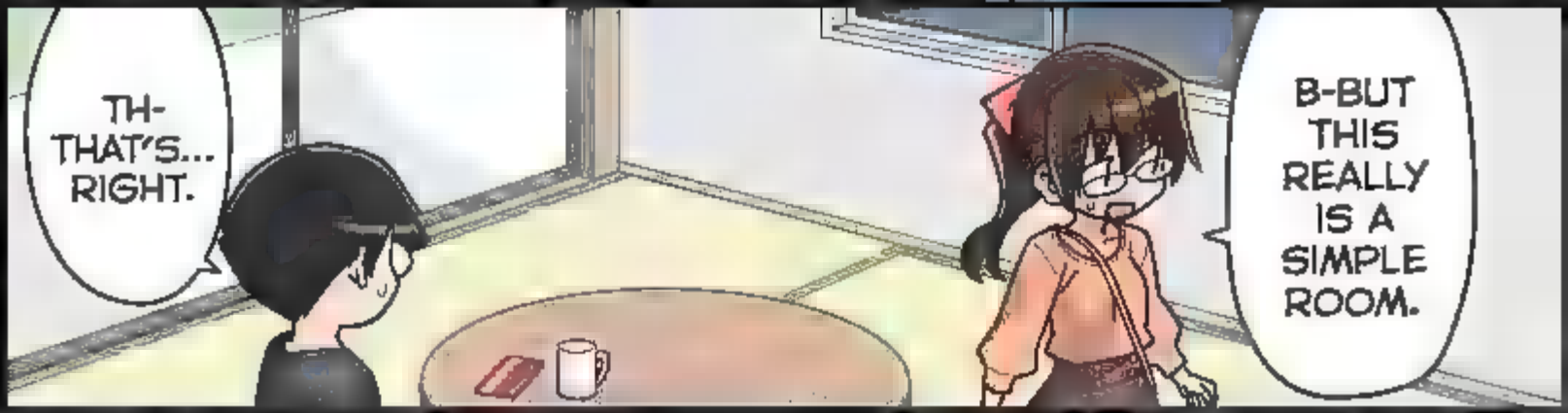
BECAUSE
I'M THE
MORE
MATURE
ONE!

NO!
NO WAY!

EVEN
THOUGH
I'M A LOT
YOUNGER
THAN
HIM...!









WHAT
KIND OF
FOOD ARE
WE HAVING
TODAY?

OKAY,
SO?

THIS IS
WHAT
HAPPENED
LAST
NIGHT.

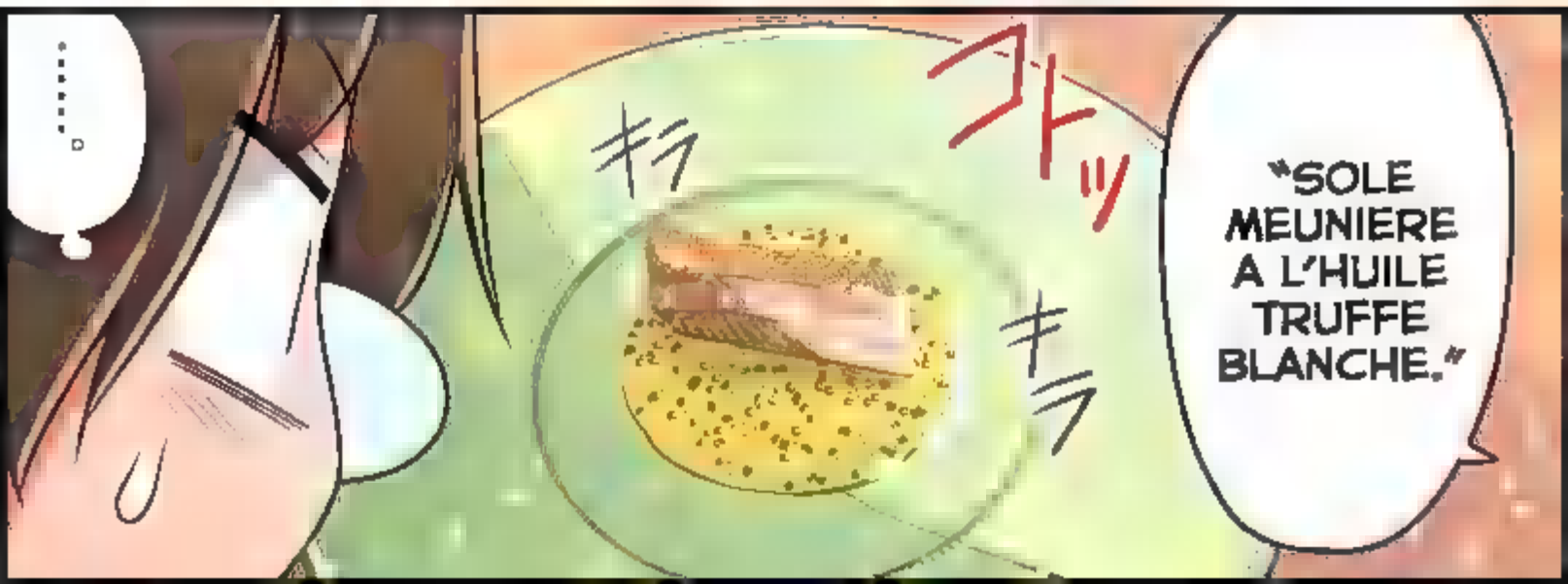


HERE'S
DISH
ONE...

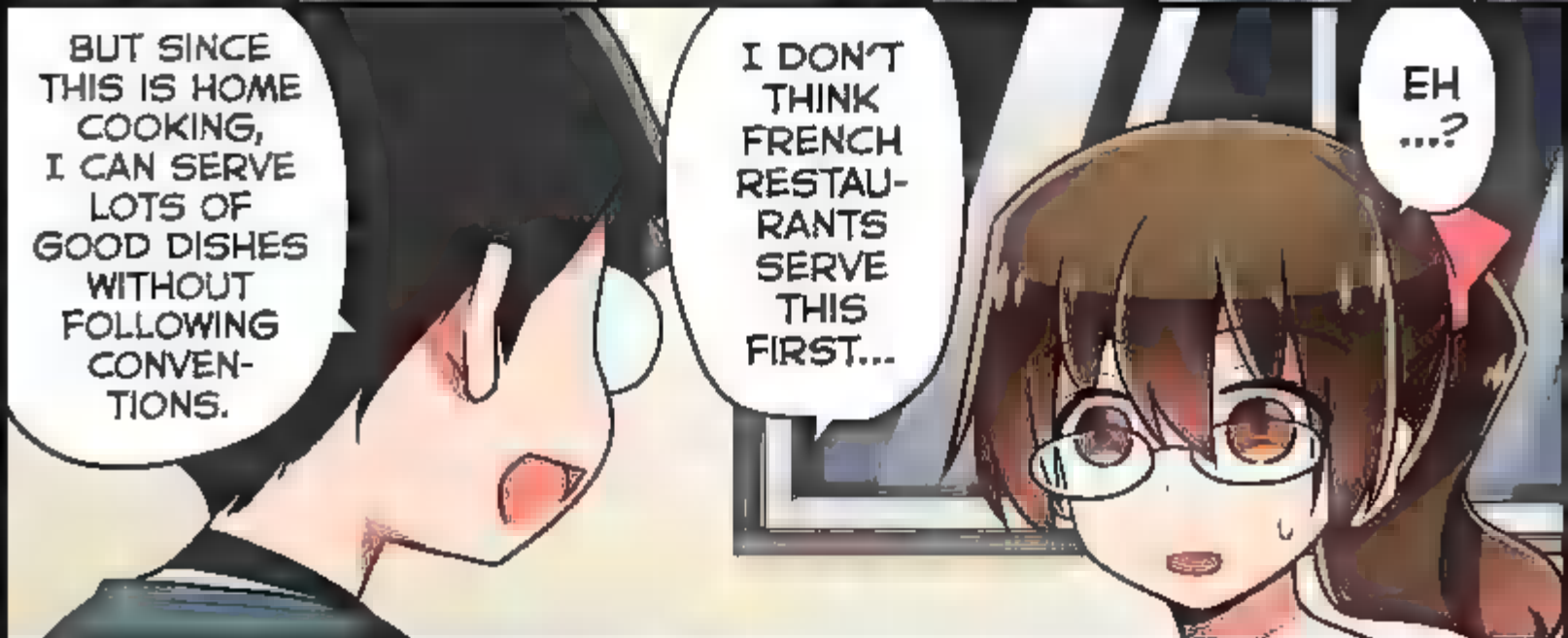
AHH,
YEAH.

CAN YOU
REALLY
JUMP
HIGHER
THAN
THAT?

MY
HURDLE'S
ALREADY
KIND OF
HIGH,
TO BE
HONEST.



*SOLE
MEUNIERE
A L'HUILE
TRUFFE
BLANCHE.*



BUT SINCE THIS IS HOME COOKING, I CAN SERVE LOTS OF GOOD DISHES WITHOUT FOLLOWING CONVENTIONS.

I DON'T THINK FRENCH RESTAURANTS SERVE THIS FIRST...

EH ...?



THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

THIS IS REALLY GOOD!

WOW! WHAT ON EARTH !?

EHH !?
SOLE ...!?

WHOA
WHOA
WHOA!?



AHHH, IT'S LIKE A SHOUNEN MANGA CLIFFHANGER ...!!

THAT SECRET WILL BE ... CLEARLY REVEALED NEXT TIME...!



HOW'RE YOU ABLE TO MAKE THIS...?


WAIT A MINUTE ...



WANTED
TO BE
POPULAR...

I JUST...


RECOL-
LECTIONS
FROM A
FEW DAYS
AGO



BUT EVEN SO,
I WANTED TO
BE POPULAR,
SO AS I WAS
LOOKING UP
VARIOUS
METHODS...

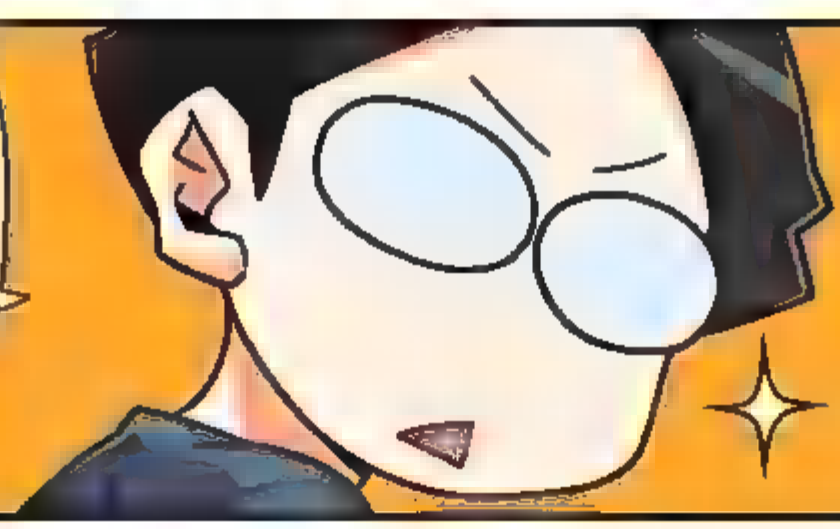
SO
NOBODY
WANTED
TO BE
WITH
ME...

BUT I HAD
NO TALENT
WHATSOEVER,
NO LOOKS...



I
WANTED TO
BE
SUPER
POPULAR
SO BADLY,
IT PAINED
ME
INSIDE...

EVER
SINCE
I WAS
LITTLE
...



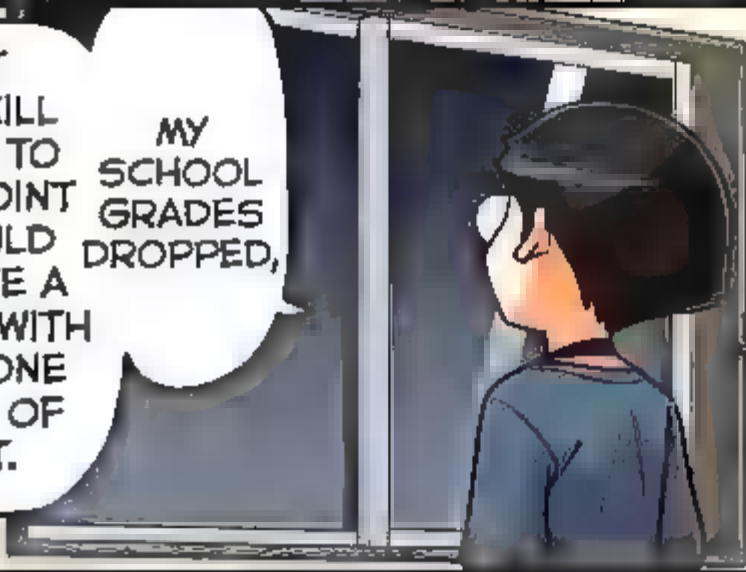
I CAME
TO THE
CONCLUSION
THAT A MAN
WHO COULD
COOK WILL BE
POPULAR.

IT
SEEMED
...



LISTENING
TO RIGHT
NOW...?

HUH
WHAT
AM I...?




BUT
MY SKILL
ROSE TO
THE POINT
I COULD
CREATE A
BROTH WITH
ONLY ONE
PINCH OF
SALT.

MY
SCHOOL
GRADES
DROPPED,

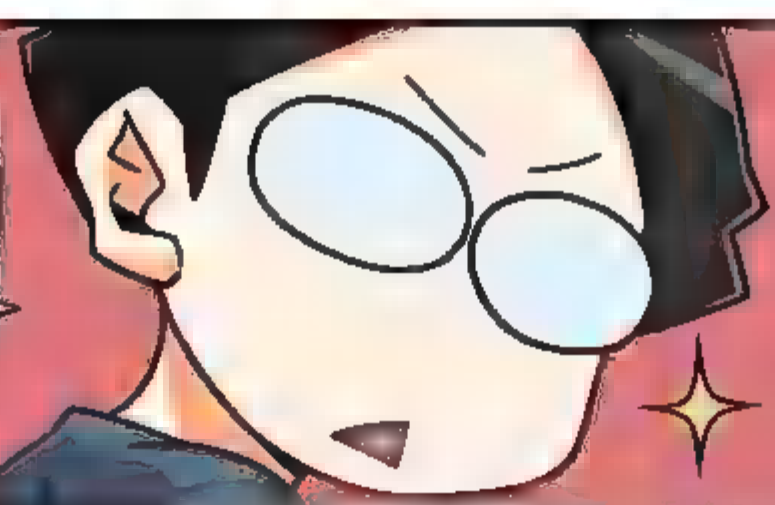
EVER
SINGLE DAY
I CONTINUALLY
RESEARCHED
AND
PRACTICED
MY CRAFT.
THAT TOOK ME
MORE THAN
A DECADE.

SO EVER
SINCE
THEN,
I COOKED
EVERYDAY.



SO
I NEVER HAD
A CHANCE TO
SHOW OFF.

BUT I
DIDN'T GET
POPULAR,



THAT IF I
FOUND SOME-
ONE I LOVED,
I WOULD SHOOT
THEM DEAD WITH
MY COOKING
SKILLS FOR
SURE...!

THAT'S
WHY I
SWORE TO
MYSELF,



JUST
GET A
CONFES-
SION...?

HUH
...?
DID
I...

YET I'VE
NEVER MET
SOMEONE
WHO COULD
COOK SUCH
GOOD
FOOD...

YOU'RE
NOT A COOK,
AND YOUR
HOUSE
ISN'T A
RESTAURANT
...



YOU
HAD NO
AMBITION
WHATSOEVER, SO
YOU HID
AWAY...

YOU'RE LIKE
THAT ONE
SUPER POWER-
FUL FRIEND OF
RAIZEN'S WHO
JOINED THE
DEMON WORLD
UNIFICATION
TOURNAMENT.

OKAY,
I SEE
NOW...



NEVER
MIND!
I SAID
NOTHING!

WAIT,
NO NO!

EH...?





I'LL GO HOME THEN.

THAT WAS A REALLY GOOD MEAL.

FOUR NIGHTS AGO



EVERY-THING WAS WON-
DERFUL!

YES.

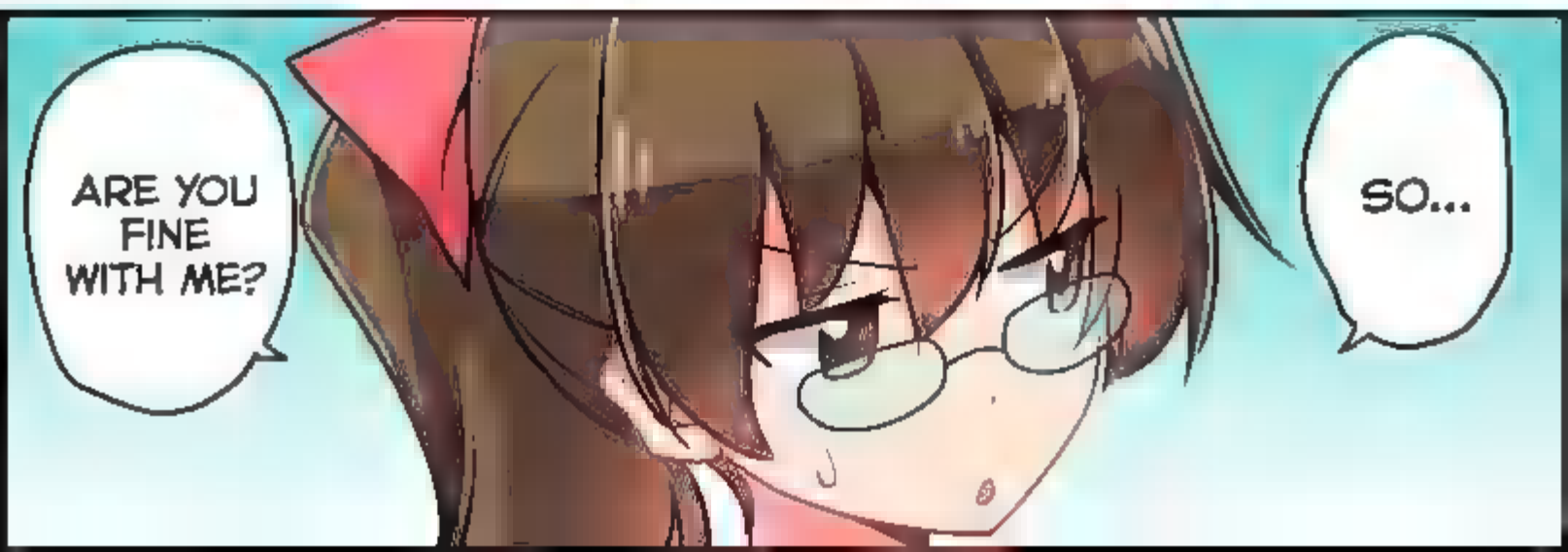
MY COOKING GOOD?

SO WAS...



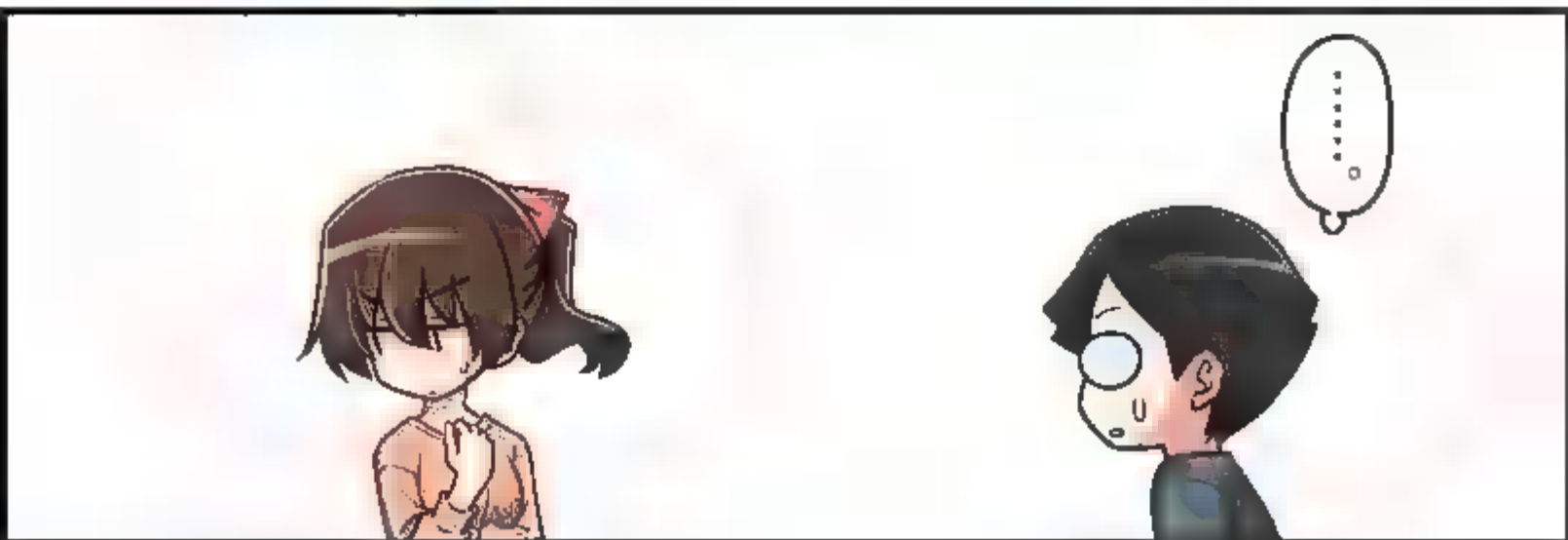
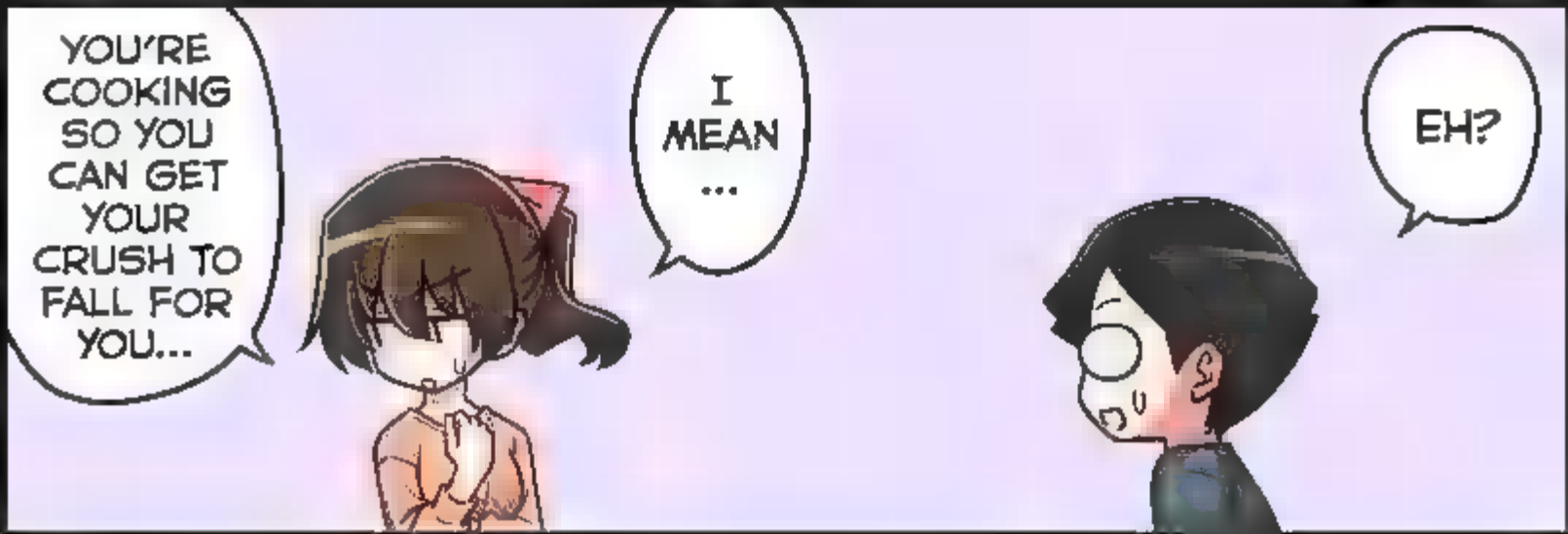
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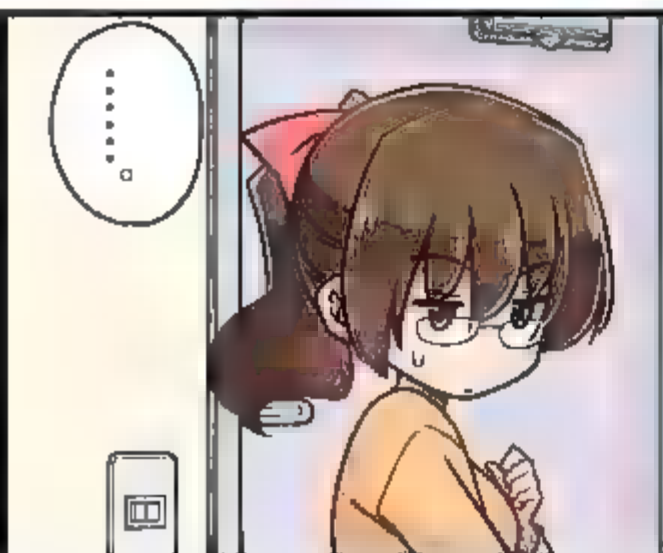
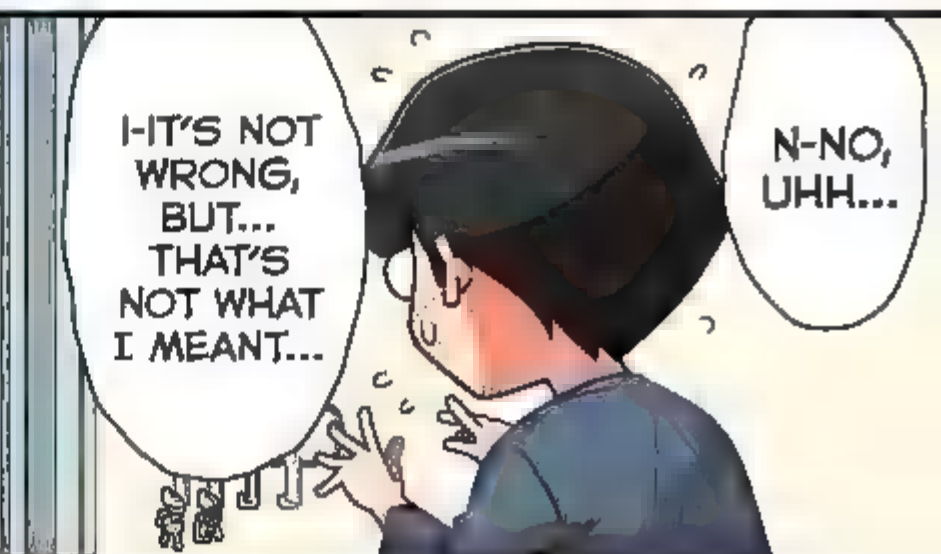
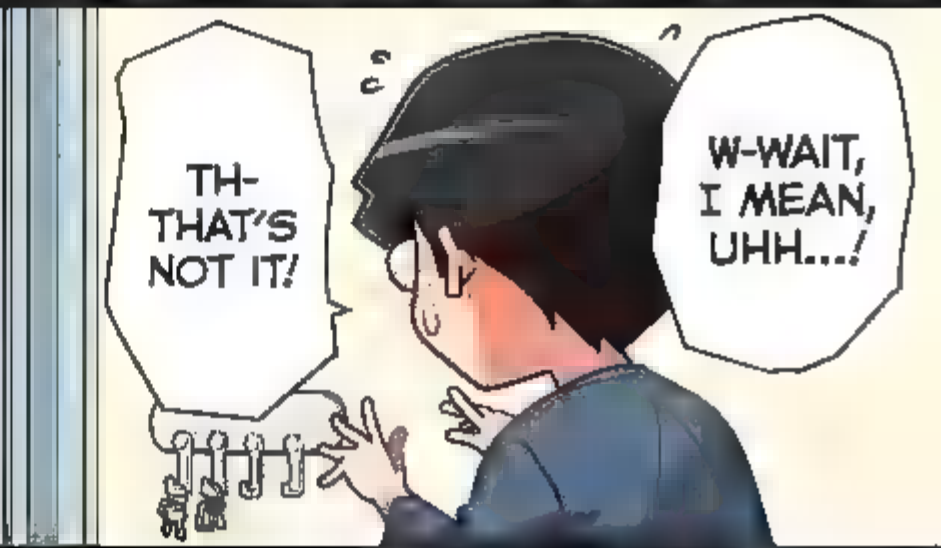
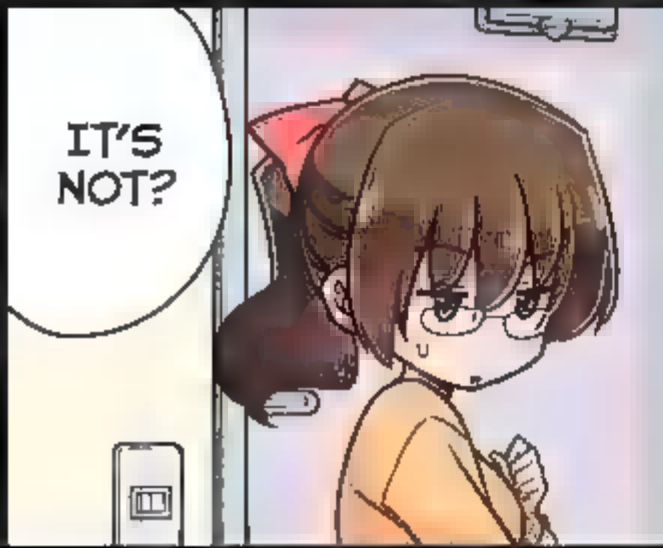
I WAS PRACTIC-THAT'S
ING SO GOOD
OH, ...
AND I GOT RE-
WARDED TODAY...
LET MY LOVED ONE
ENJOY MY COOKING.



ARE YOU FINE WITH ME?

SO...





IS A
CONTINU-
UOUS
STRING
OF
CHOICES.

LIFE

YOU CAN
PROBABLY
CONFESS
TO A
WOMAN.

IF YOU HAVE
UNWAVERING
CONFIDENCE
IN YOURSELF,

I DON'T
HAVE
THAT
CONFIDENCE.

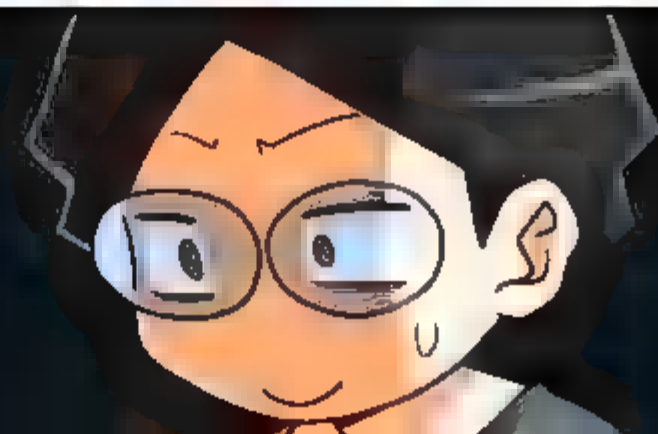
BUT

THIS
WONDERFUL
PERSON WILL
ACCEPT ME.



THERE'S
NO WAY

SHOULD
JUST LEAVE
TODAY AS A
WONDERFUL
MEMORY
AND...



THAT'S
WHY I...

I'LL BE
GOING
NOW...

OKAY,



BUT
EVEN
SO...!

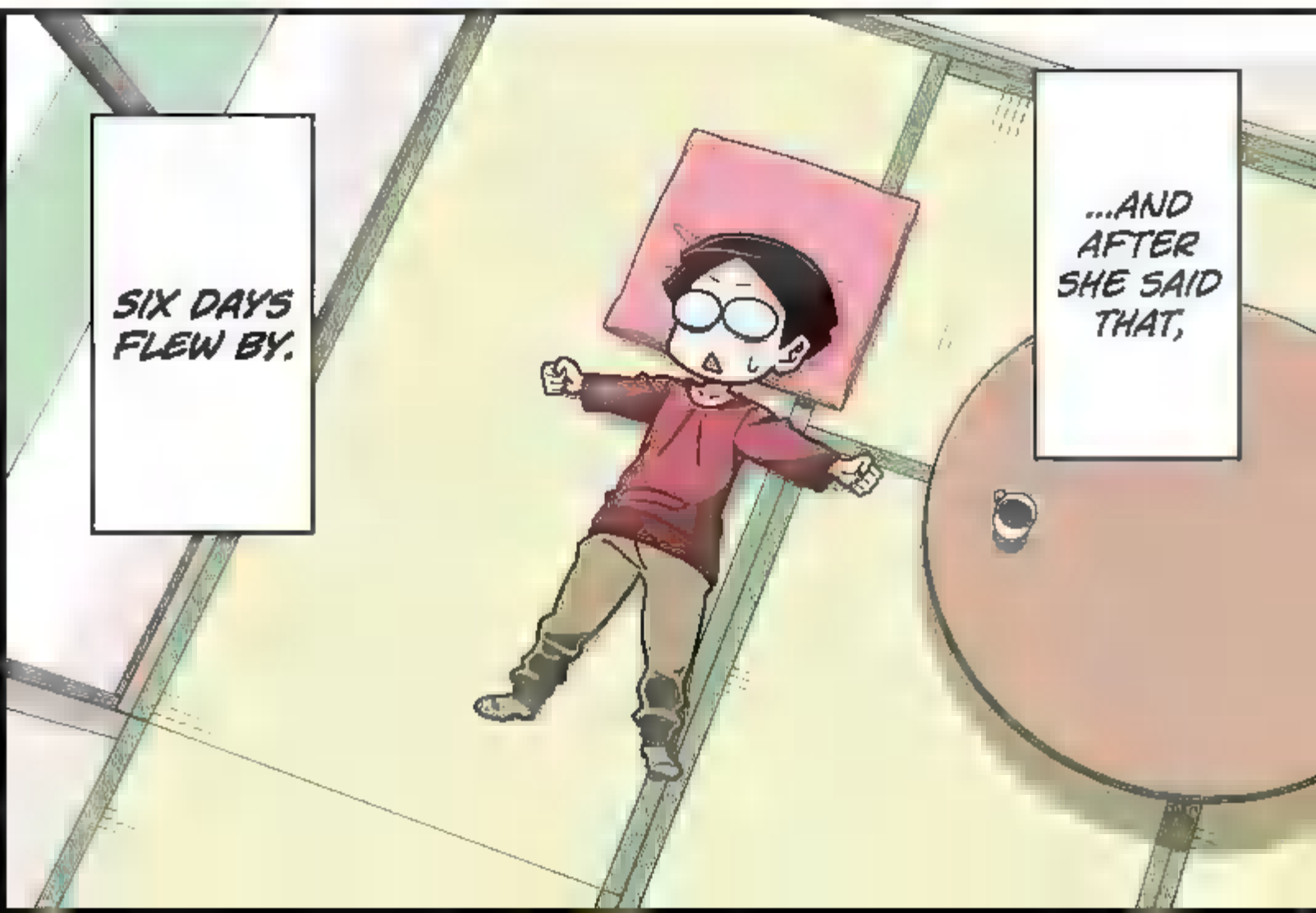
BUT...

WAIT A
MINUTE!

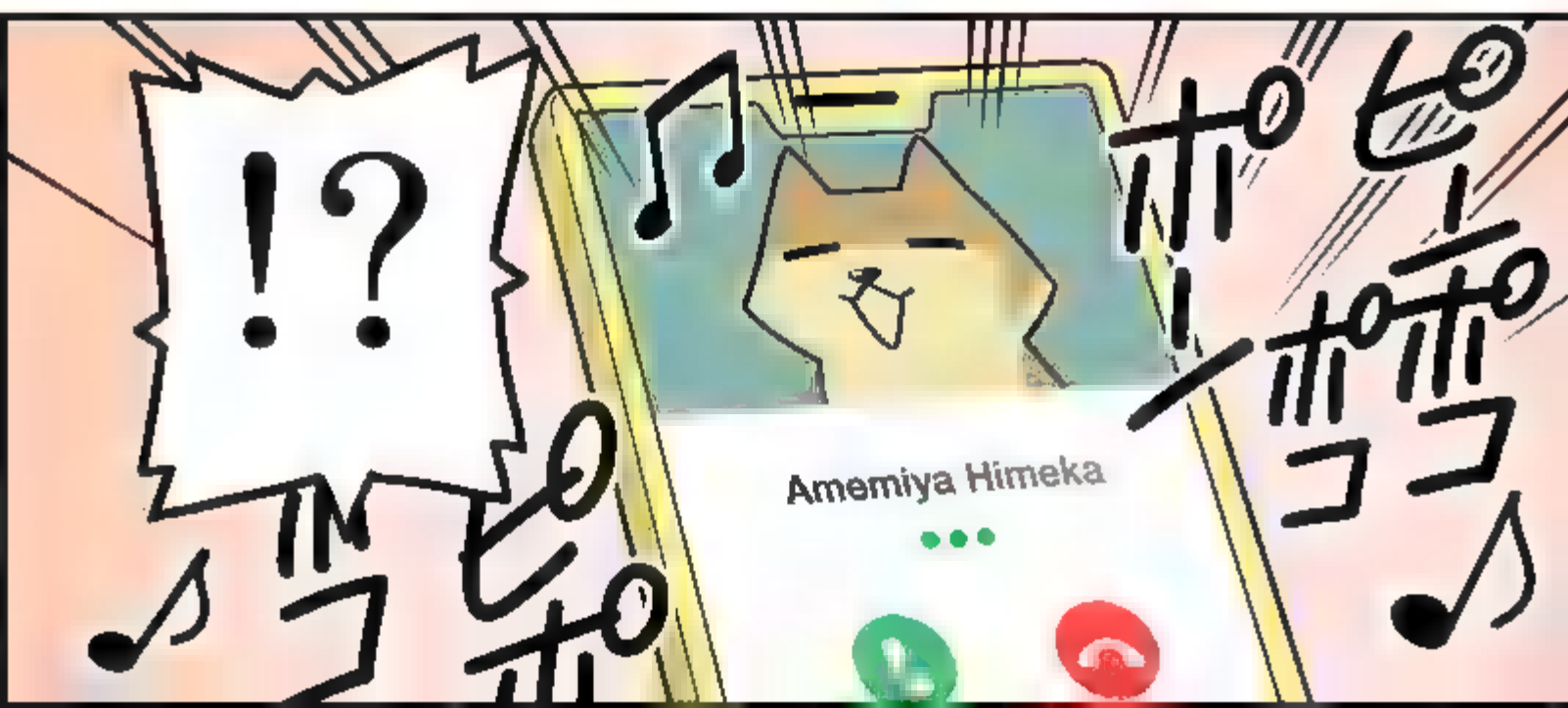
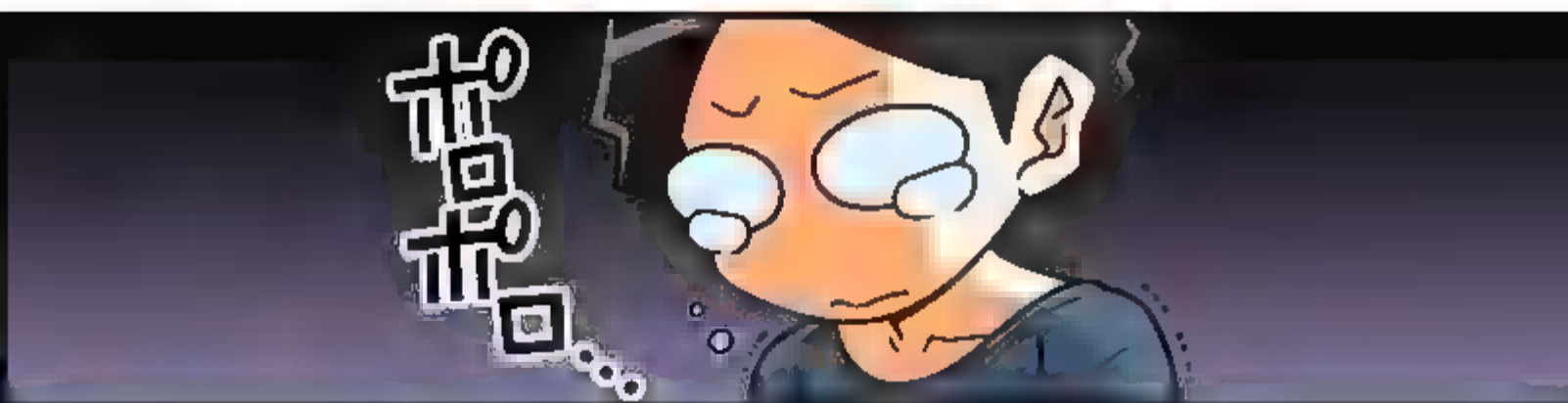
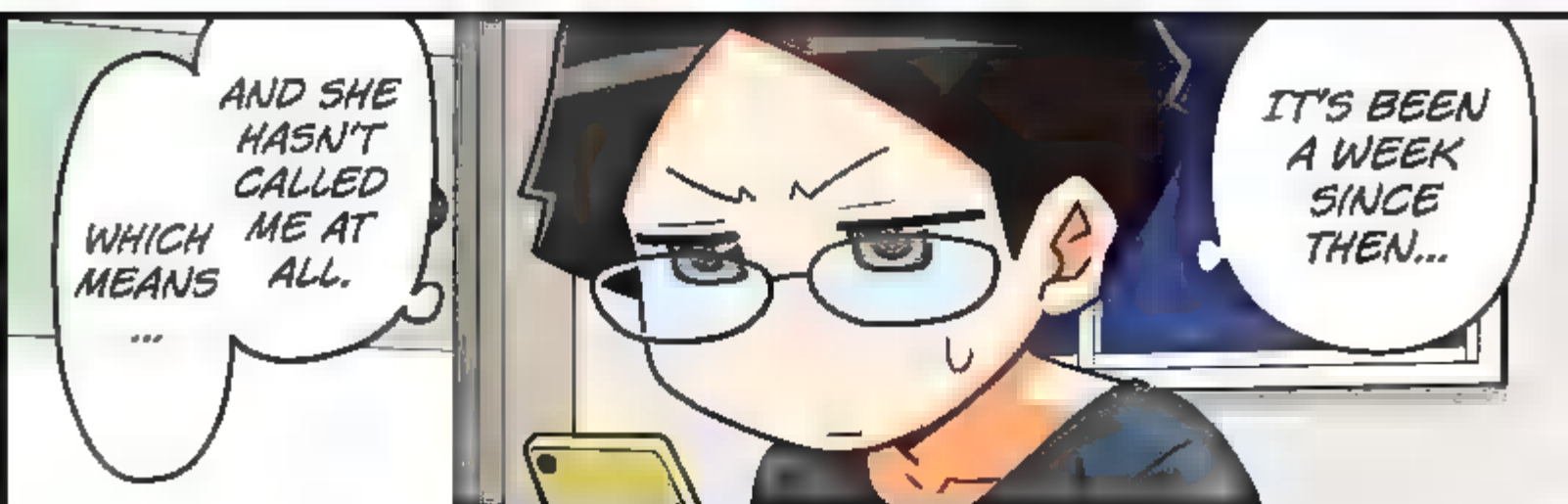
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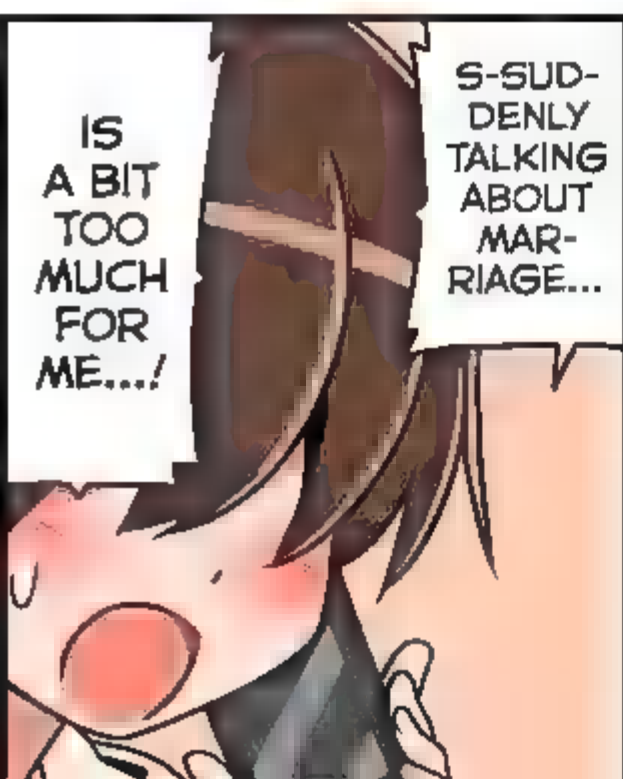
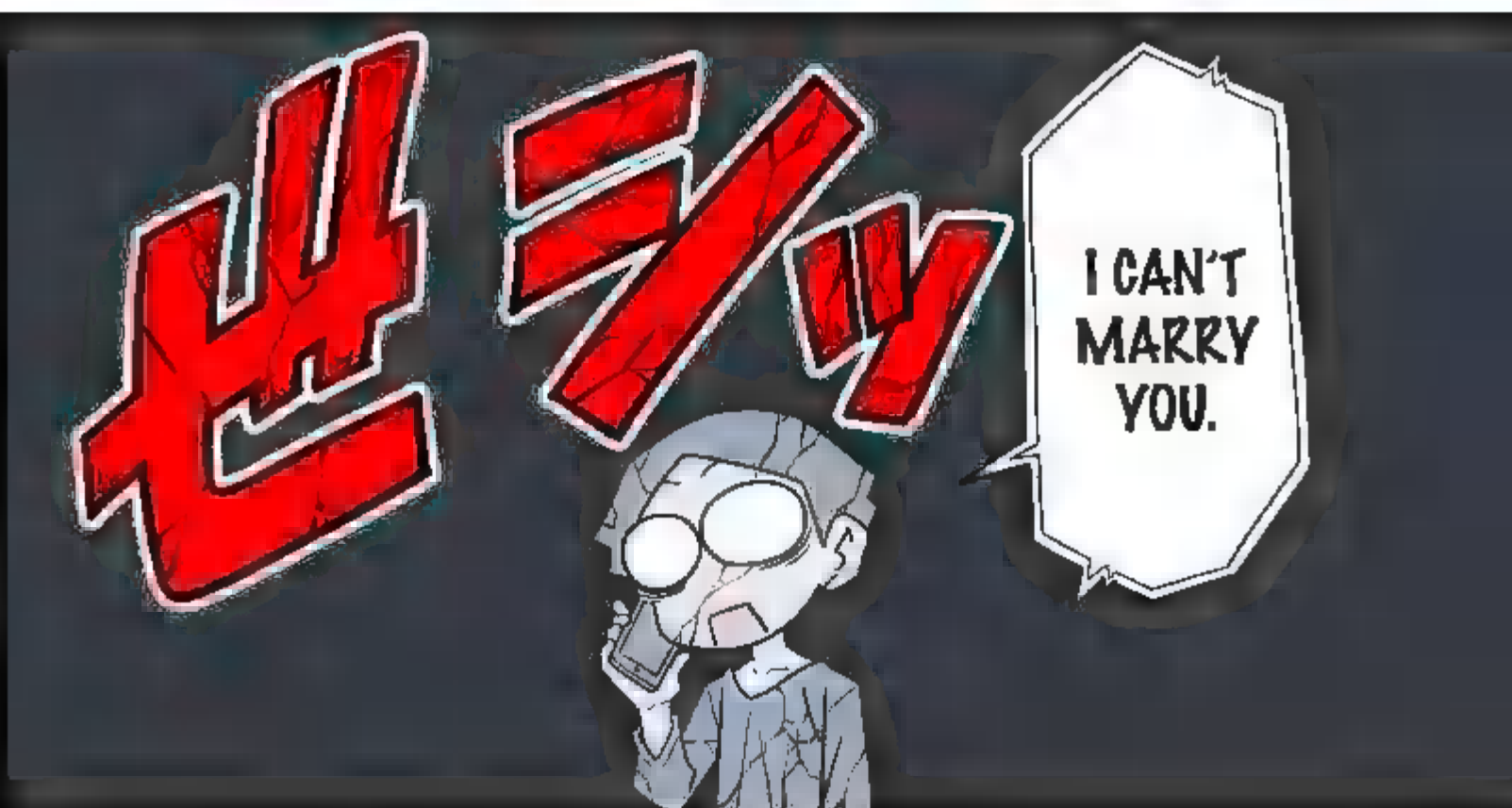






Day 29









LONG
TIME
NO SEE,
HAJIME-
SAN.

MY
GIRLFRIEND,
WHO ONLY
STARTED
GOING OUT
WITH ME
YESTERDAY,
CAME TO
VISIT.



WHAT'S
WRONG?

?

THE
FACT A
GIRL IS
ACTUALLY
ABSO- COMING
LUTELY OVER
BLOWS TO MY
MIND, BUT...
PLACE



SUR-
PRISED
ABOUT
WHAT...?

I WAS JUST
KIND OF
SURPRISED
AFTER NOT
SEEING
YOU FOR
SO LONG,
I GUESS...

OH,
SORRY
...

UHH...

WELL...

YOU'RE
ACTUALLY
REALLY
CUTE...

AMEMIYA-
SAN...

AFTER THIS,
THERE WAS A
WHOLE
LOT OF
BULLYING.

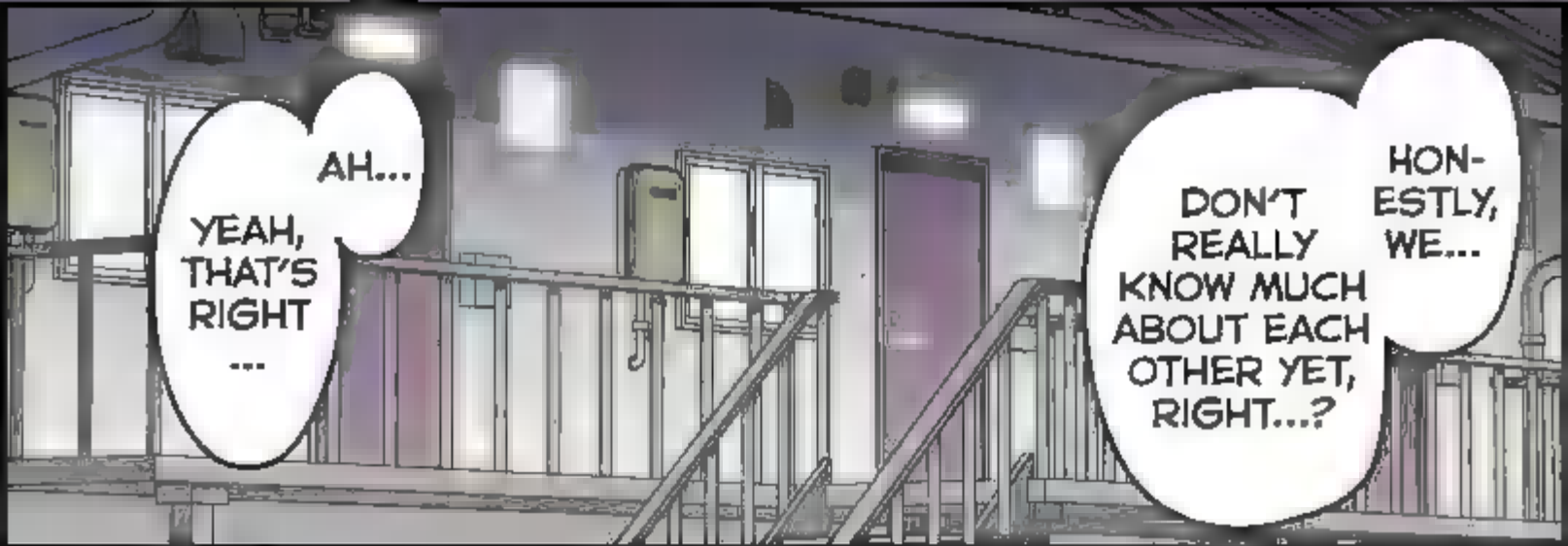
Y... YOU
SMELLED
REALLY
GOOD...

SO EVEN
THOUGH
YOU
DIDN'T GET
A GOOD
LOOK AT
ME, YOU
STILL SAID
YOU LIKED
ME?

I'M
SORRY...
I GOT
REALLY
NERVOUS
WHEN I
LOOKED
AT IT...

WEREN'T
YOU
LOOKING
AT MY
FACE....?

HAJIME-
SAN...



YEAH,
THAT'S
RIGHT
...

DON'T
REALLY
KNOW MUCH
ABOUT EACH
OTHER YET,
RIGHT...?

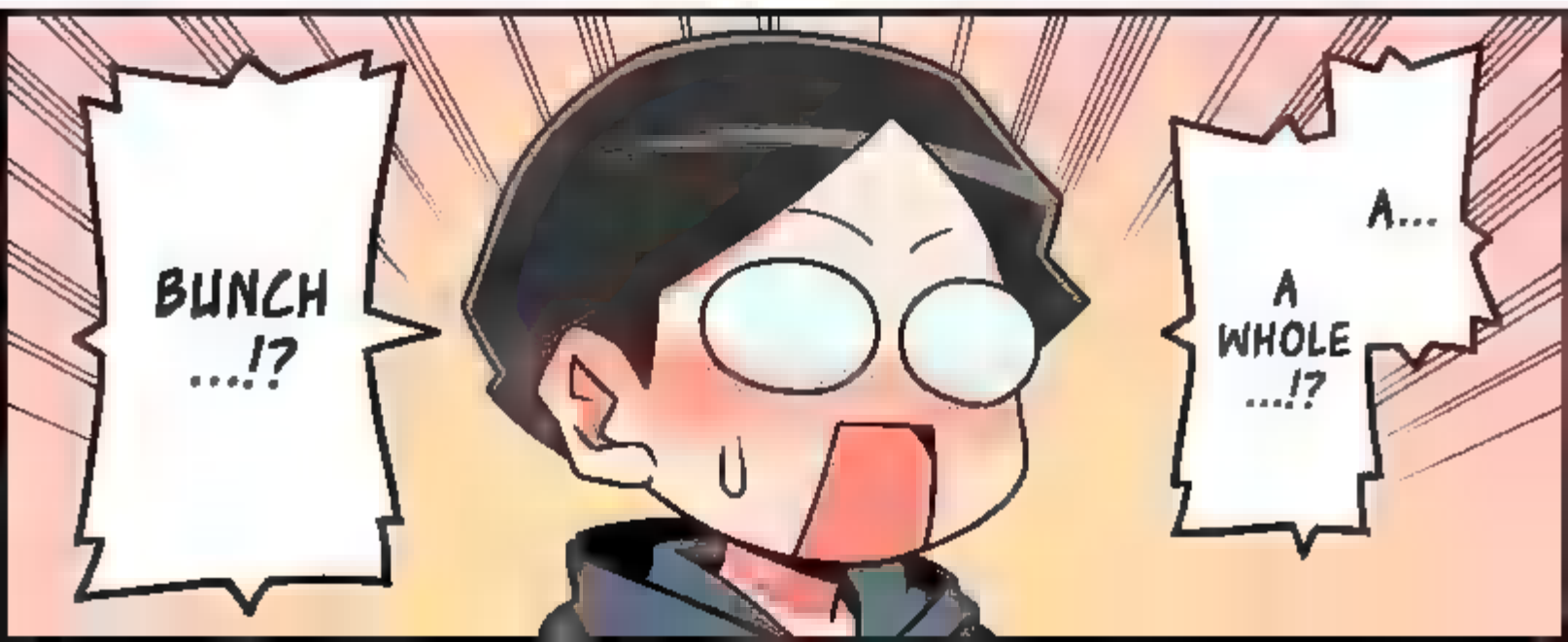
HON-
ESTLY,
WE...



BY DOING
A WHOLE
BUNCH OF
THINGS...

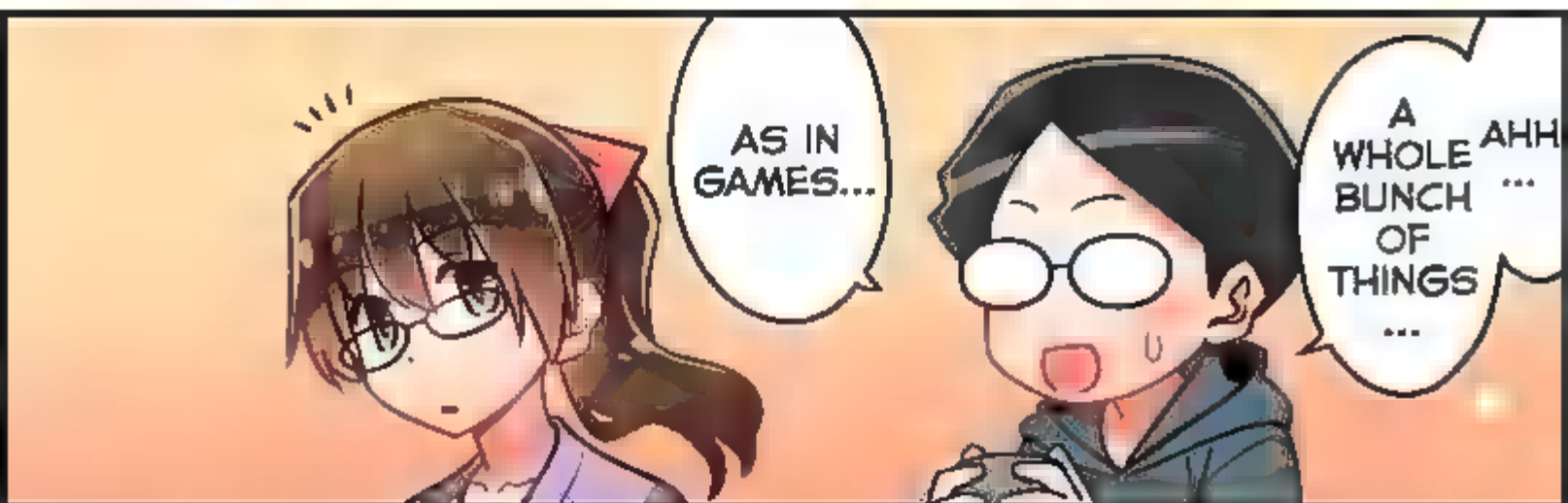
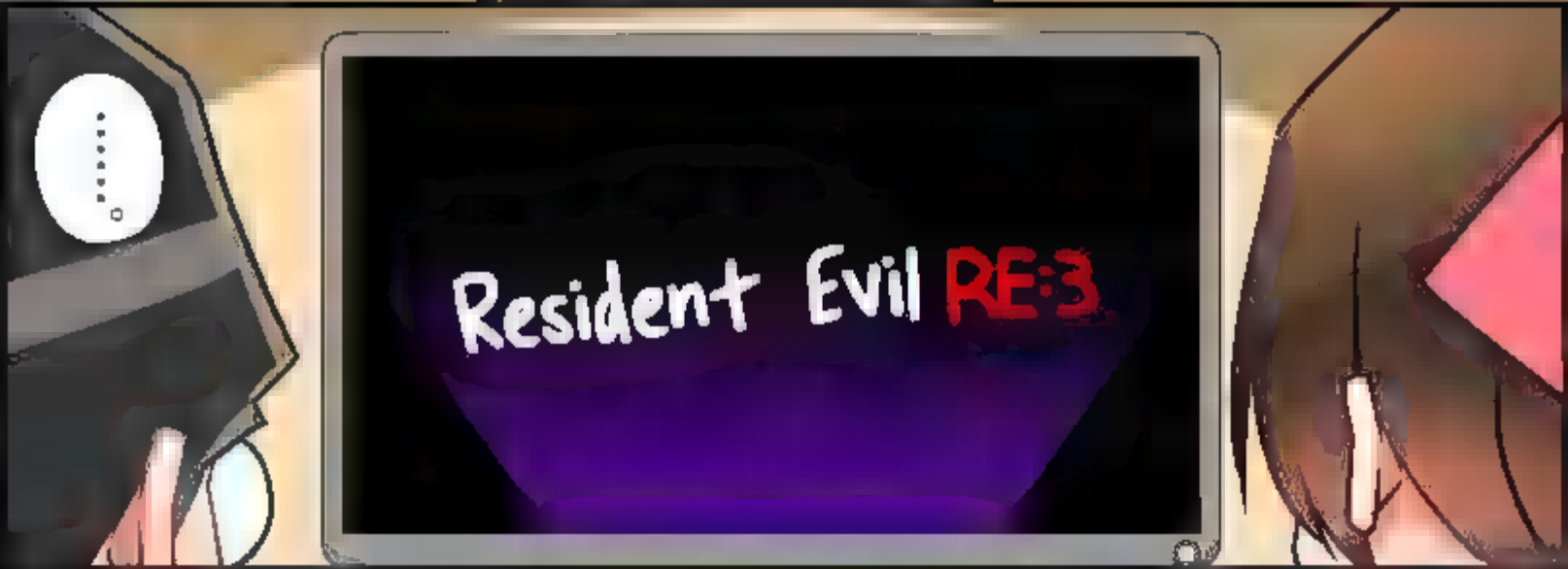
WE
SHOULD
LEARN
MORE
ABOUT
EACH
OTHER
...

SO
MAYBE
...



BUNCH
...!?

A
WHOLE
...!?



I BELIEVE
IT'S BEST
TO WATCH
EACH
OTHER'S
GAMING
STYLES.

SO IN
ORDER
TO UNDER-
STAND ONE
ANOTHER,



NOT THE
REMAKE
YET...

NO...

HAVE
YOU
PLAYED
THE
REMAKE
OF
RE3?

OKAY,
SO GO
AHEAD.



I'LL
GO FOR
HARD-
CORE...

OKAY
...

SO NOW
CHOOSE
THE DIF-
FICULTY.

AH!



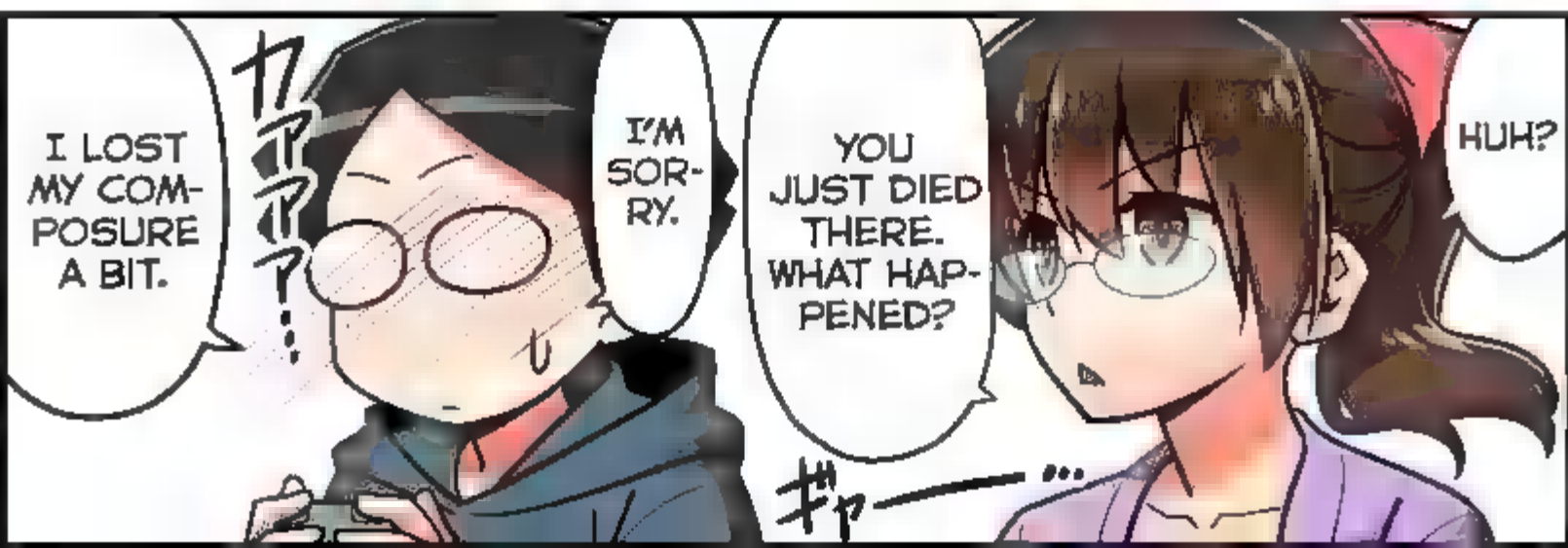
IT'S
RESIDENT
EVIL...

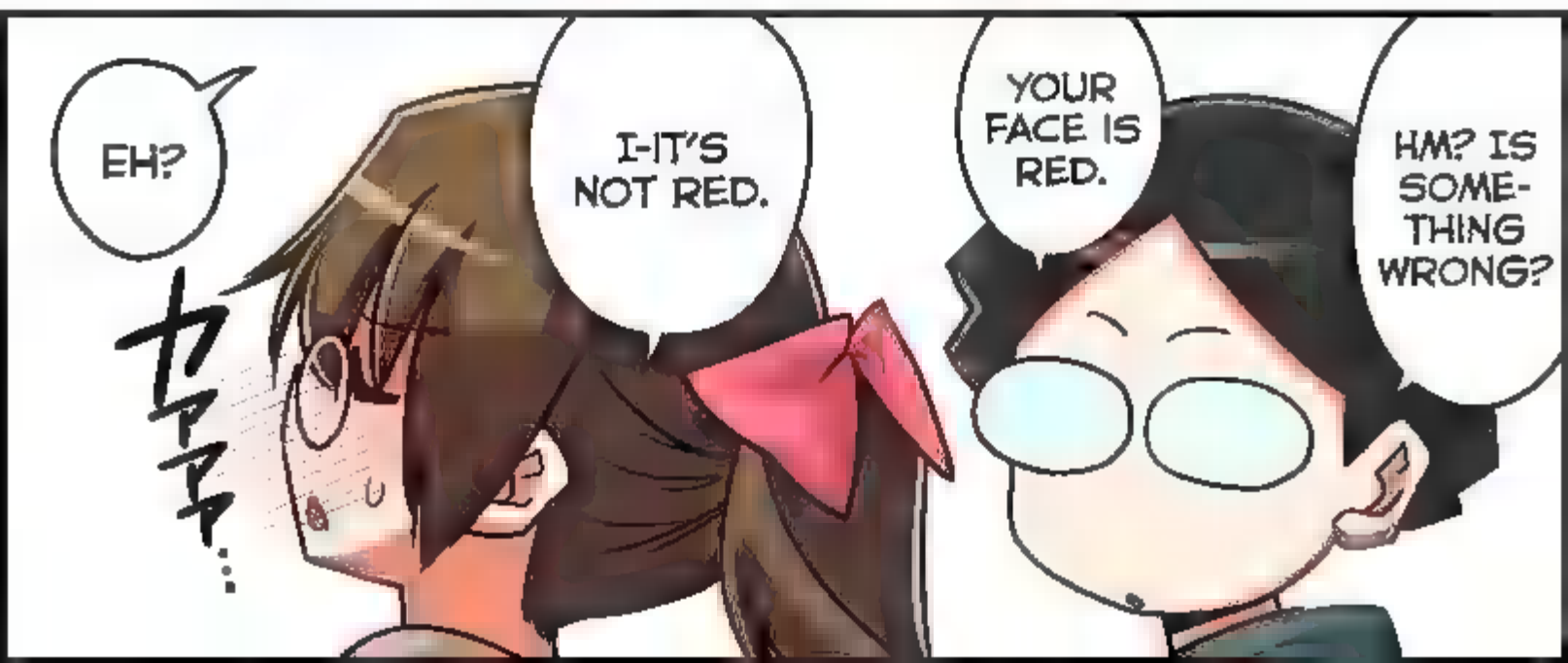
WELL
...

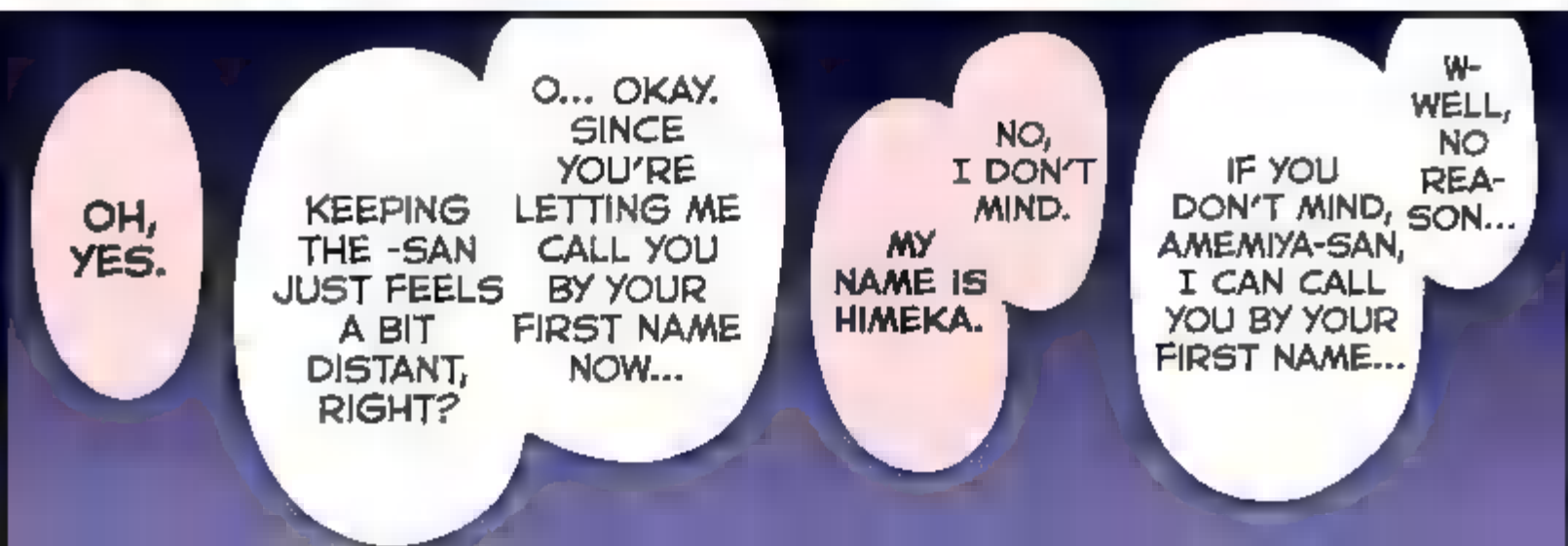
YOU'RE
GOING
FOR
HARD-
CORE
RIGHT
AWAY?

EH?











TN: Hime-sama = Princess



**AN ADULT'S
SPORTS DRINK.
WHEN YOU
DRINK SOME,
YOU'LL START
FEELING
LIKE YOU'RE
HAVING FUN.**



**ALCO-
HOL.**

**SOMETIMES,
IT CAN BE SO
DELICIOUS,
YOU'LL LOSE
TRACK OF
HOW MUCH
ALCOHOL YOU
DOWNED.**

**A MUST-
HAVE
WITH
YOUR
ALCOHOL.**



**DELI-
CIOUS
FOOD.**

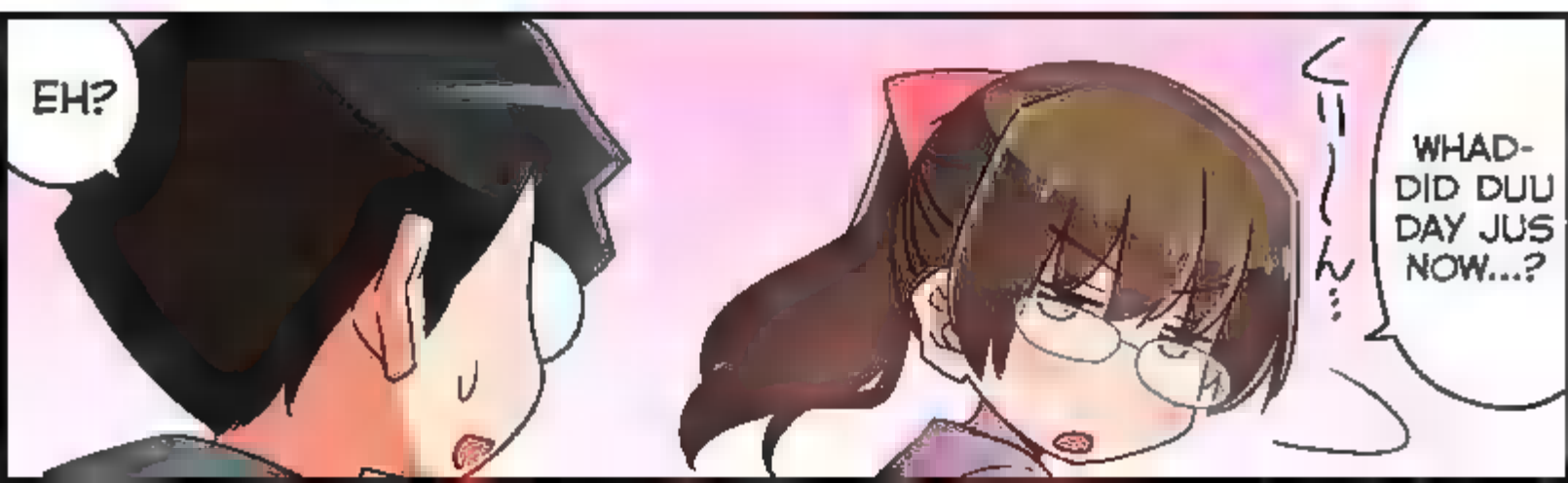
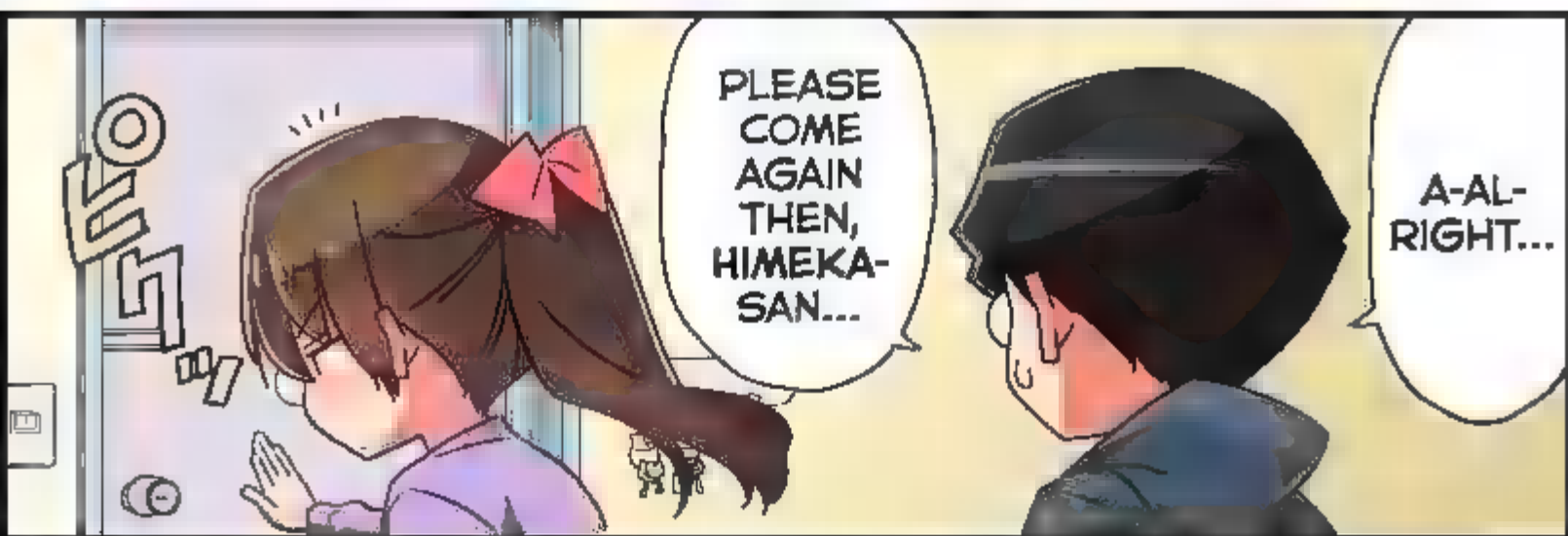
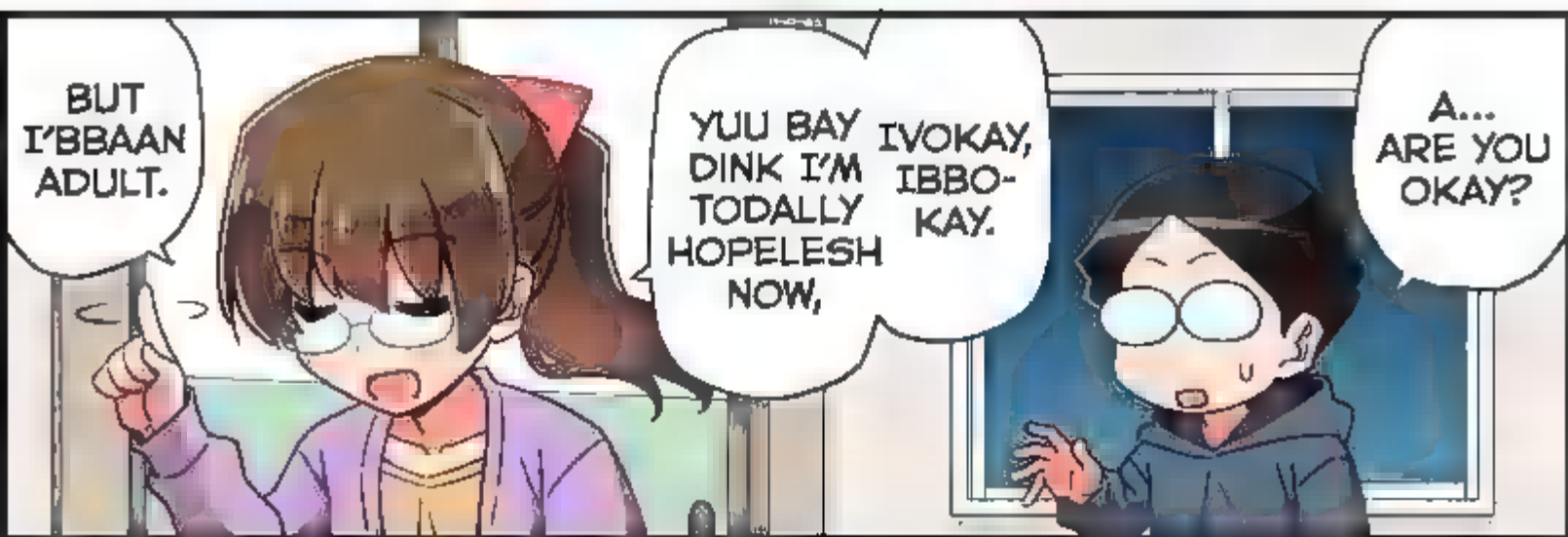
**IF YOU EVER
THINK YOU'RE
JUST TIPSY,
YOU'RE ACTUALLY
PRETTY WASTED.**

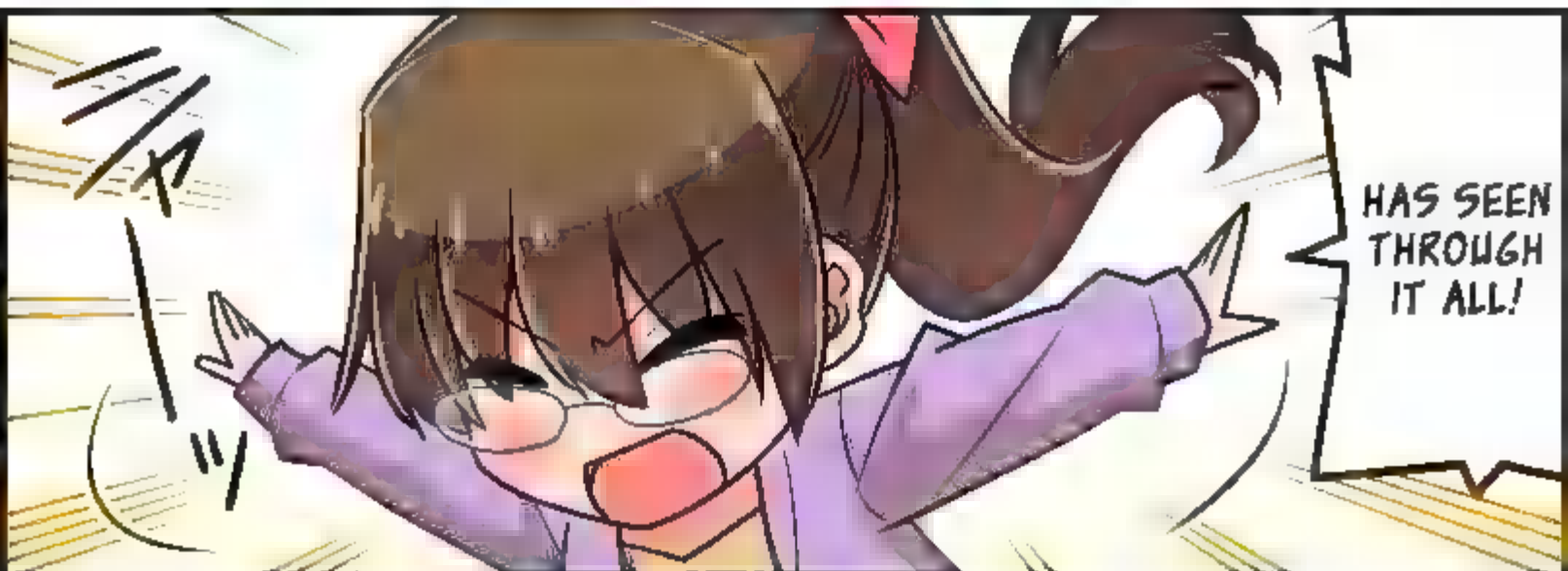
**AND YOU'LL
START
ACTING
LIKE
YOU'RE
IN HIGH
SPIRITS.**

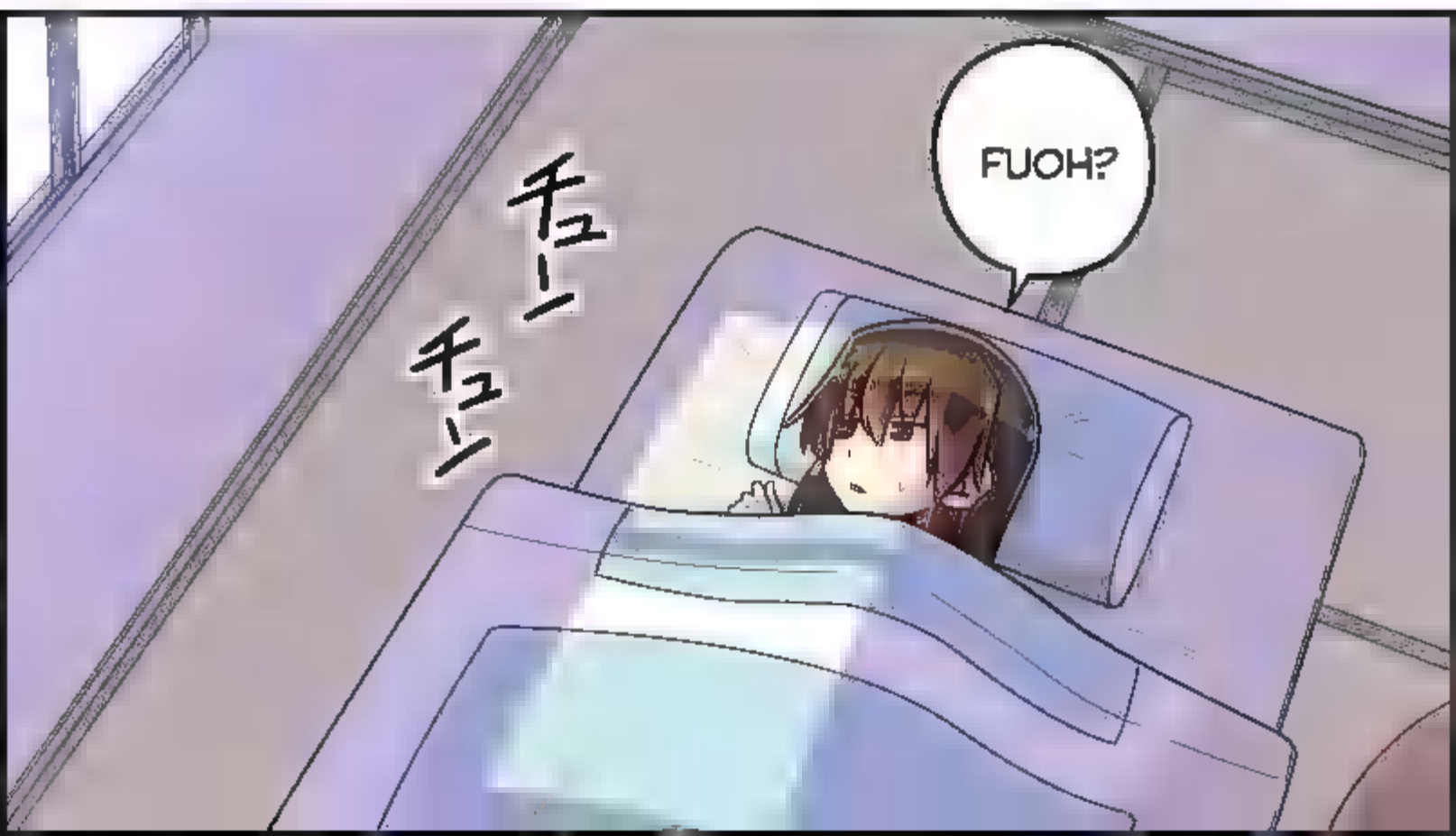
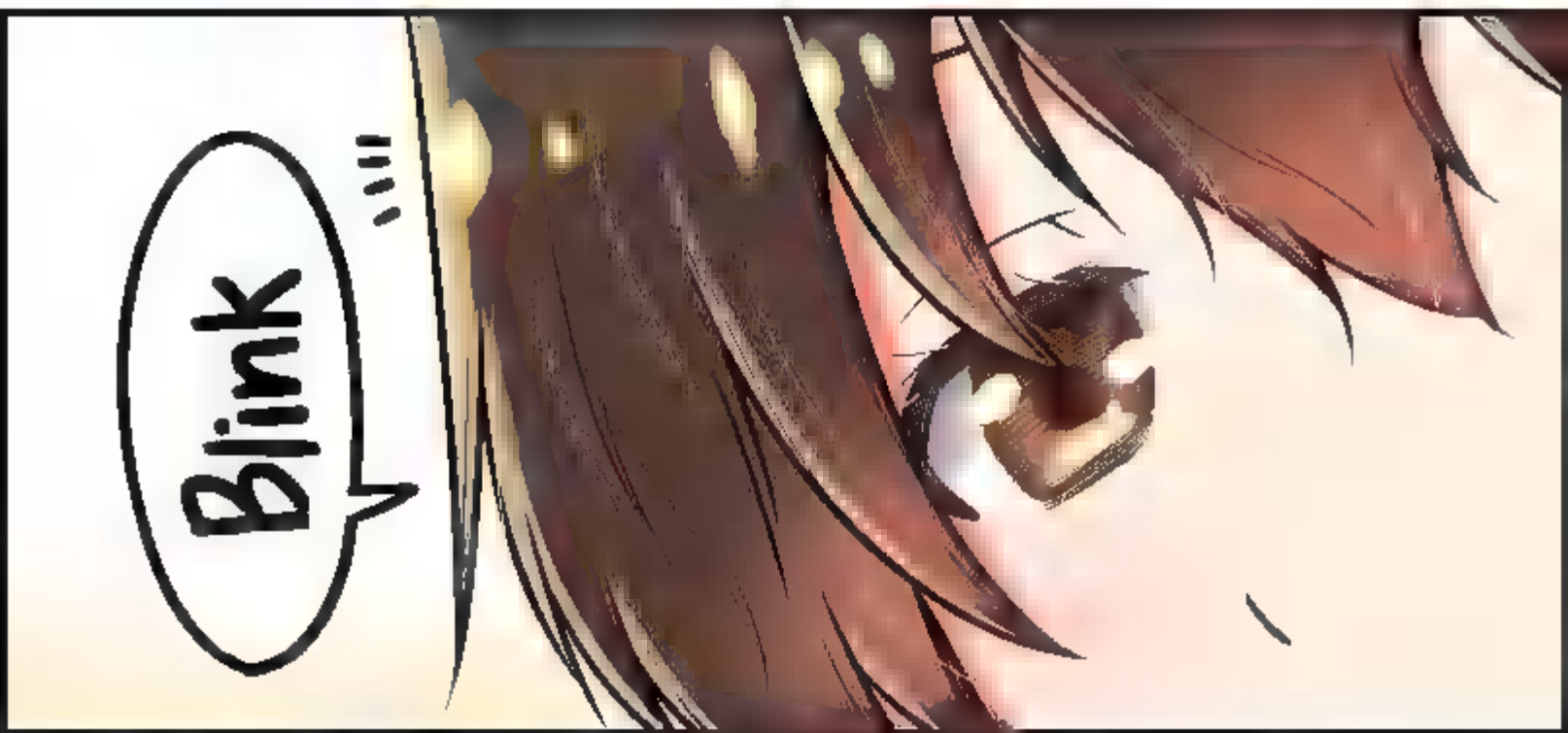
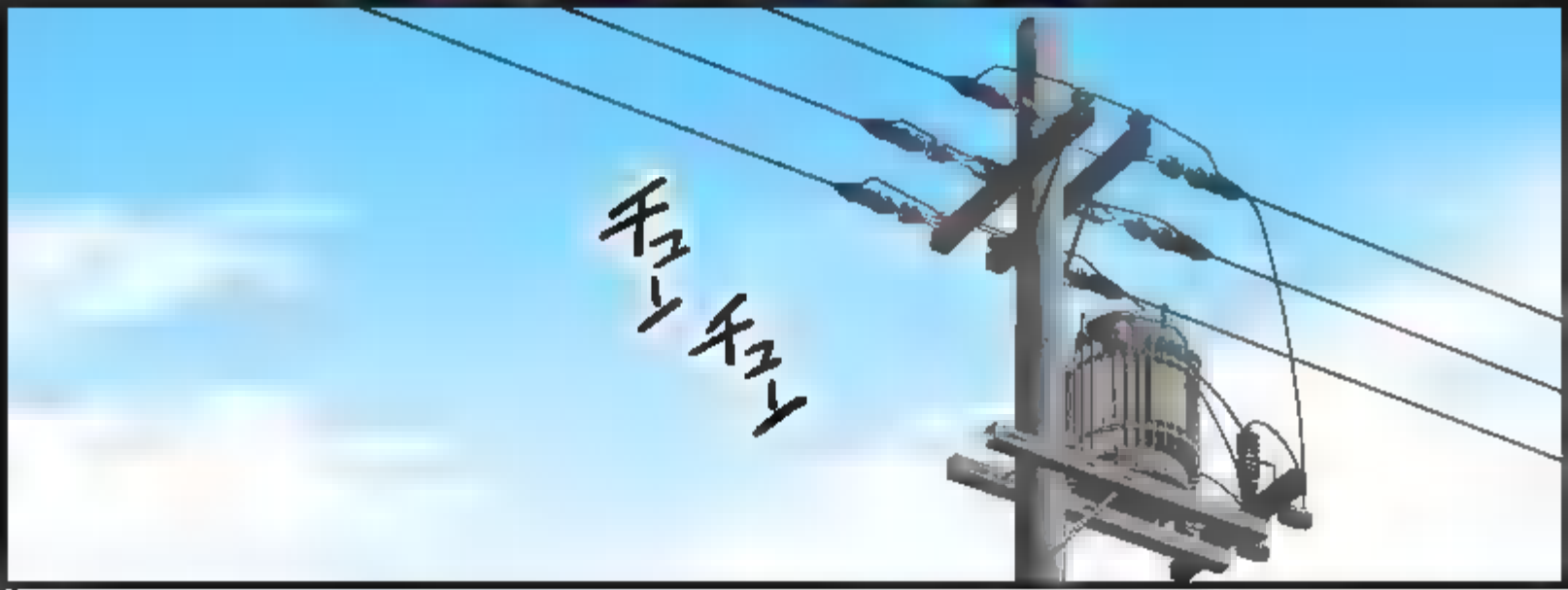
31
あ
↓
♡

**BEING
TIPSY.**







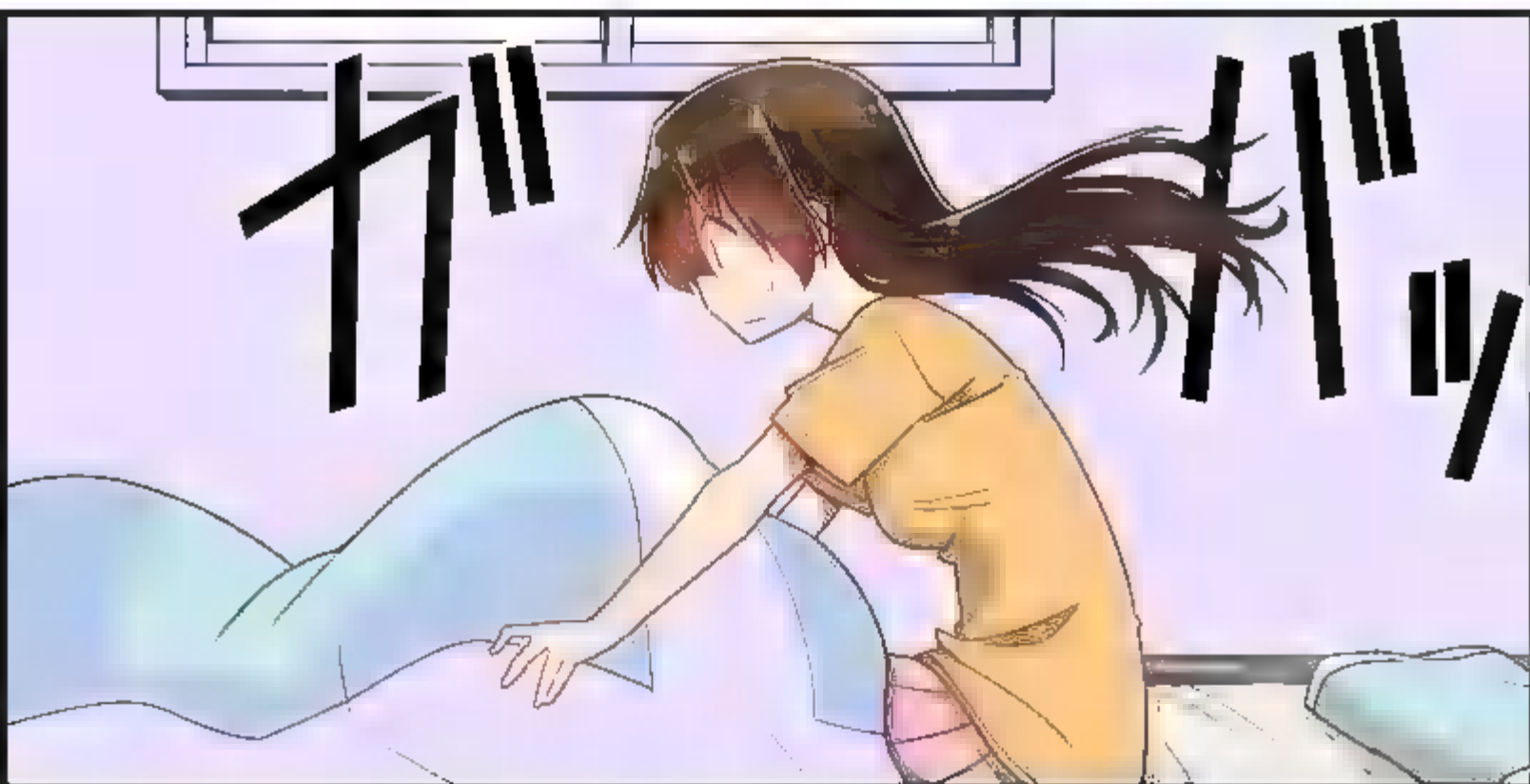


Hah



カッ

カッ

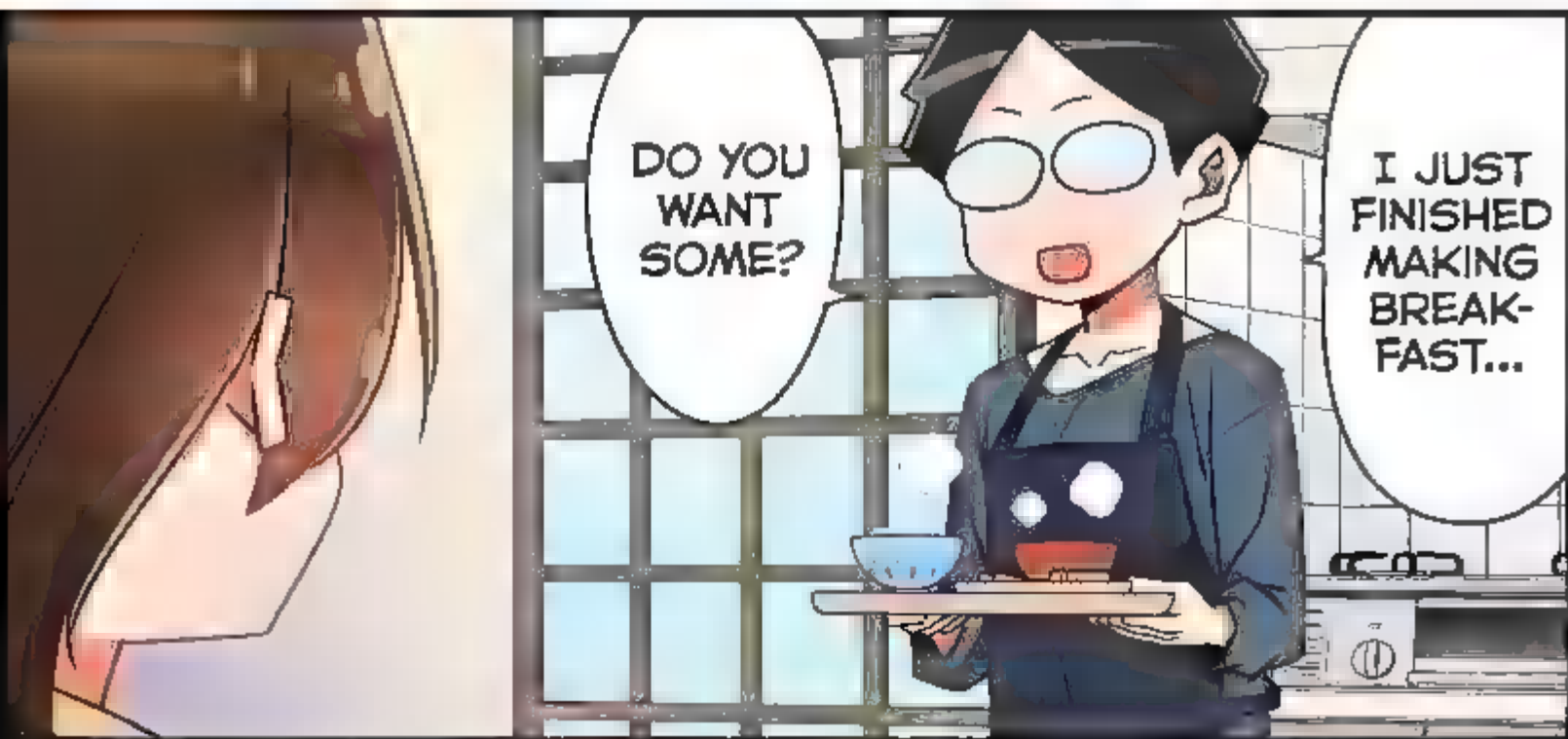
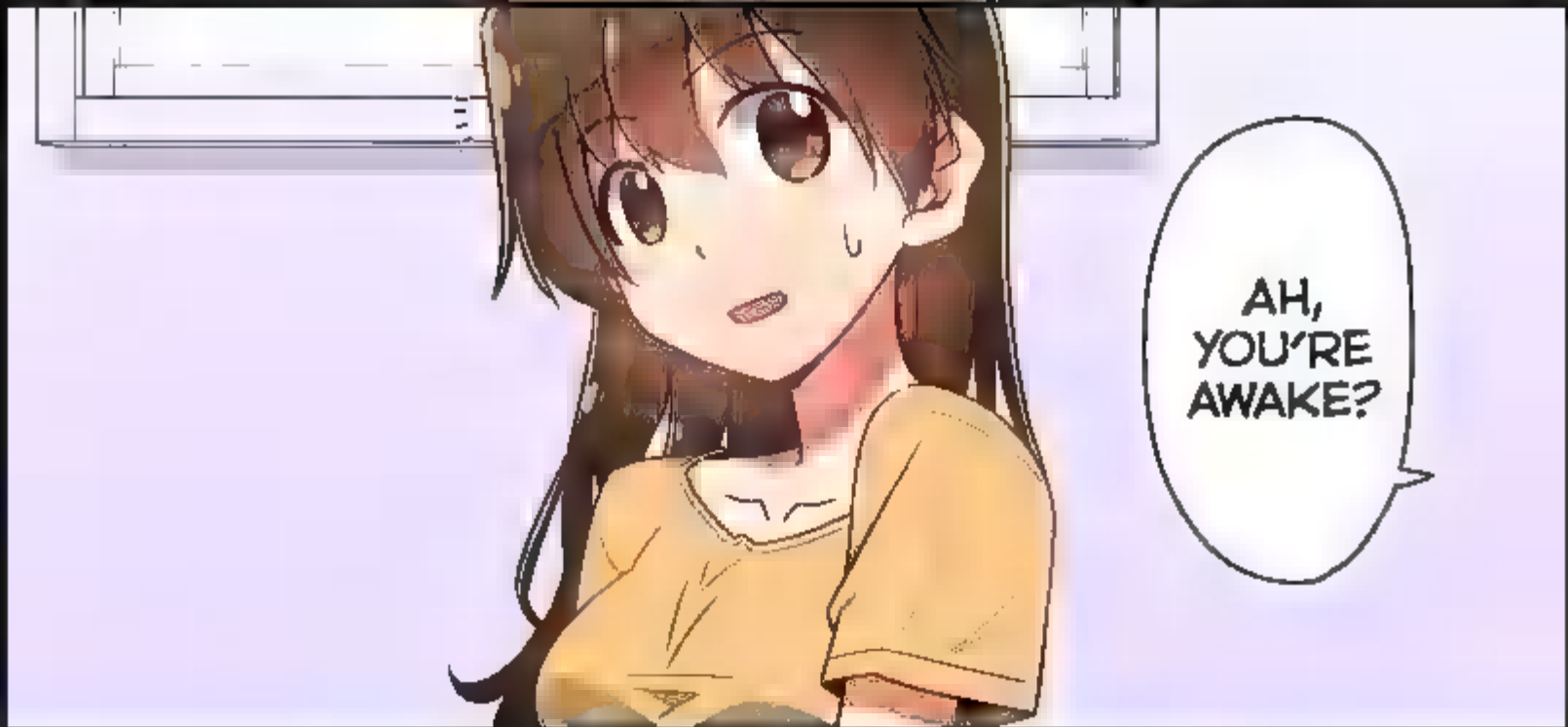


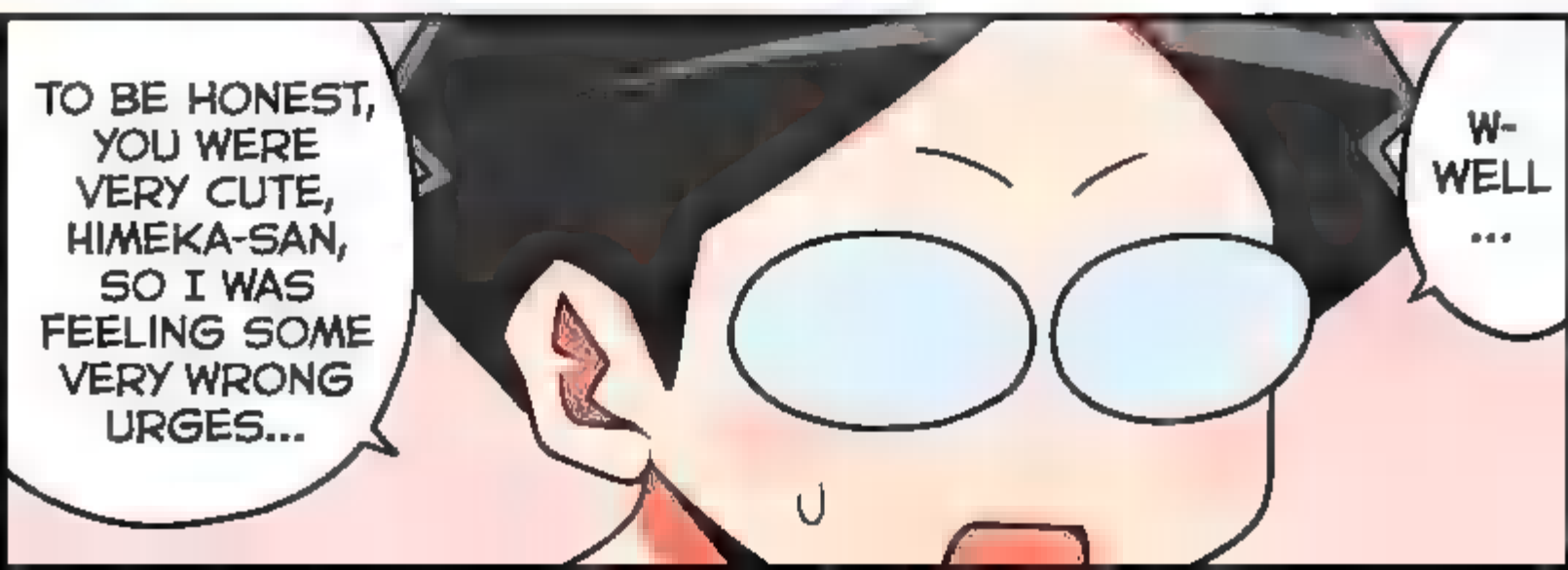
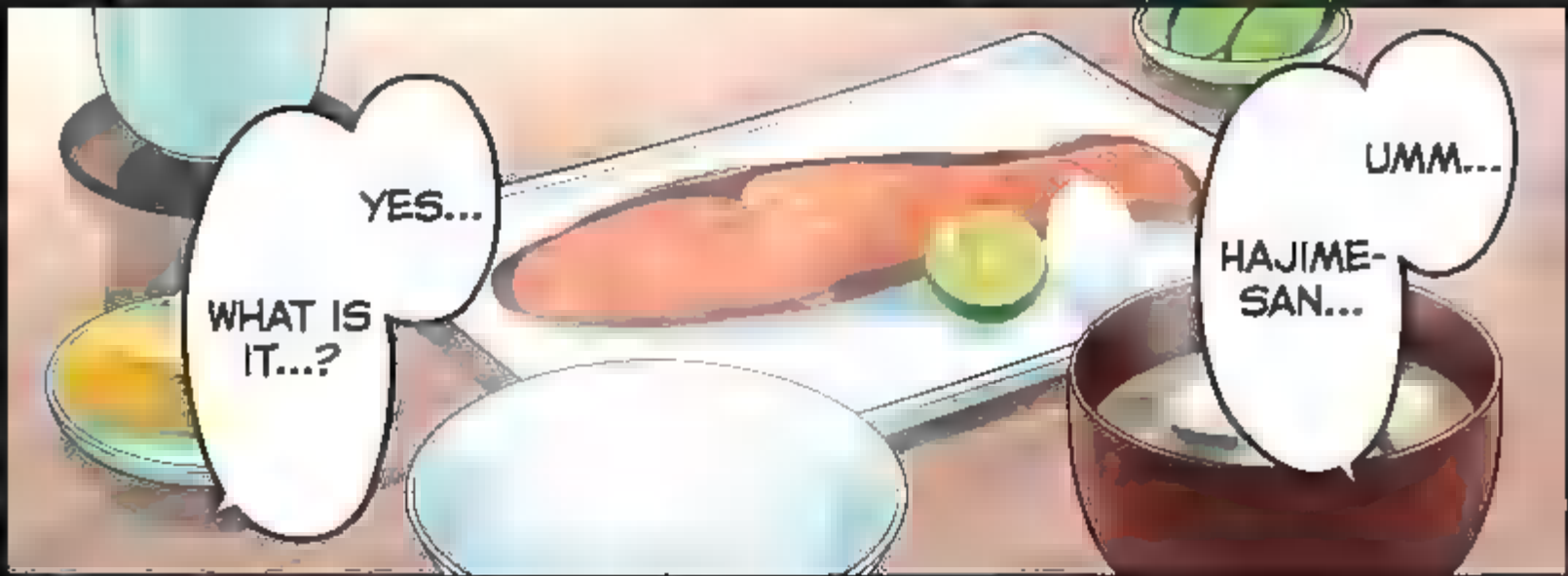
WHA?

キョ キョ

EH?









I
WANT...

THAT'S
WHY,
UHH...!

YOU NOT
REMEM-
BERING
ANY OF
THIS FELT
WRONG, I
GUESS...

HOW DO
I PUT
THIS...

BUT,
WELL...



YOUR
BODY TO
REMEMBER
EVERYTHING
WE DID
TOGETHER...

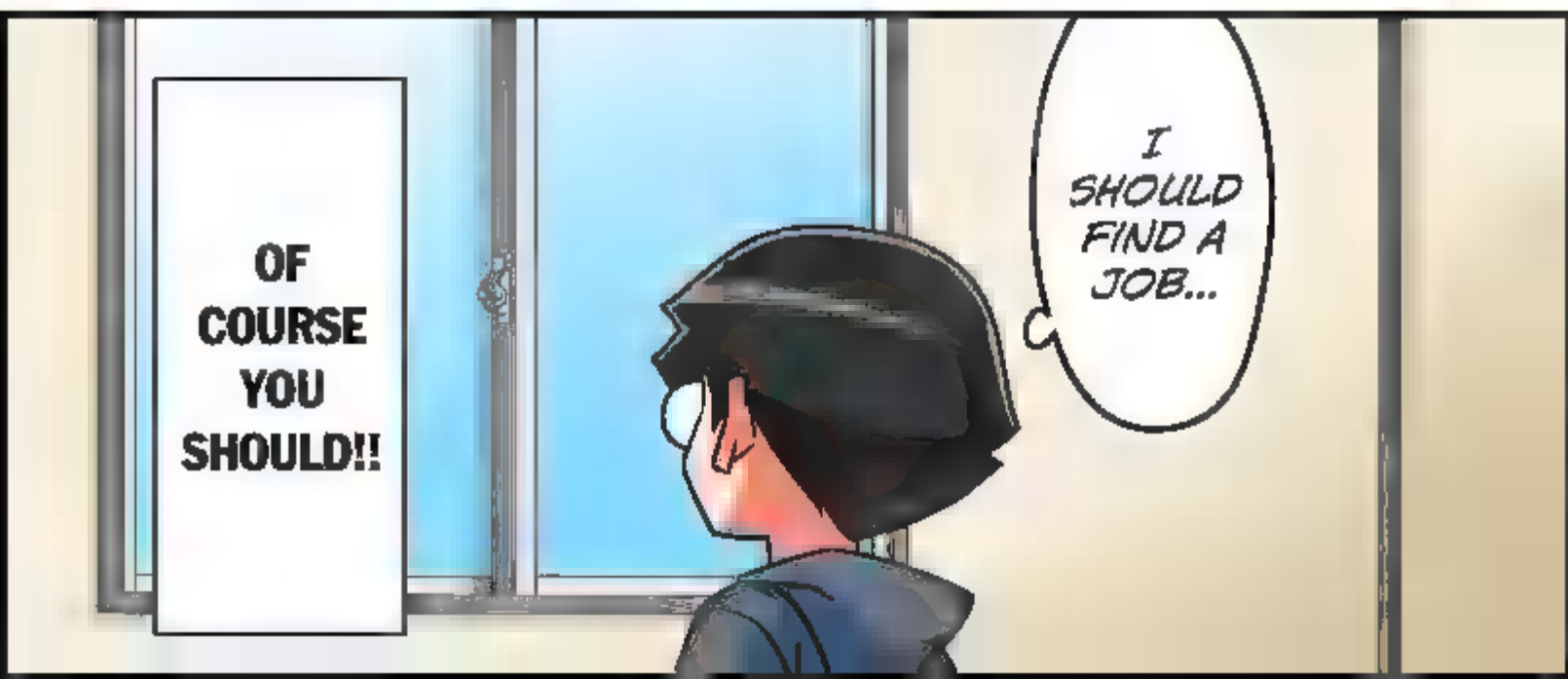


EHHH
...!?

THAT
PHRASING
IS KIND OF
LEWD...

HAJIME-
SAN...

Day 40



IF I THINK
ABOUT MY
GIRLFRIEND,
THE DAY
JUST ENDS...

STAY
HOME...

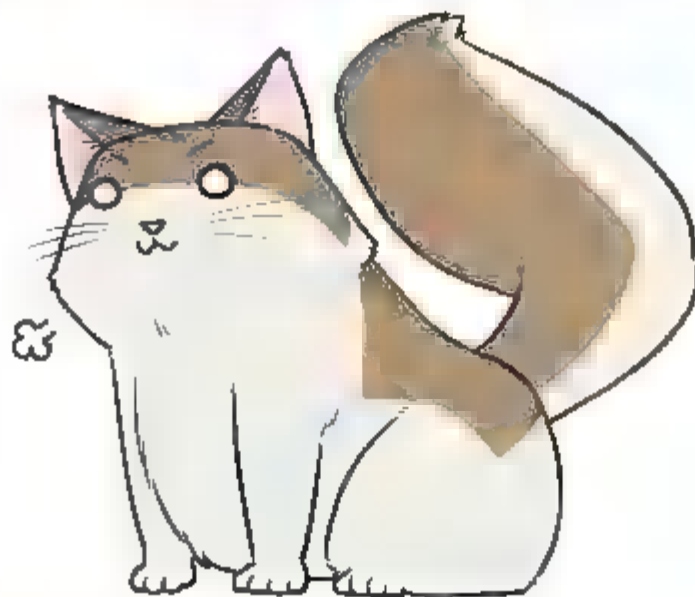


A manga-style illustration. A girl with long brown hair in a ponytail, wearing a white maid headband with a bow, a white collar, a dark purple long-sleeved dress with a white bow at the back, and white stockings, is shown from the waist up. She has a surprised or excited expression with wide eyes and an open mouth. She is leaning forward. A small boy with black hair, wearing a purple long-sleeved shirt and green pants, is lying on the ground in front of her, looking up at her with a surprised expression. The background is a solid light pink color.

IF I
THINK
ABOUT
THAT,
THE DAY
JUST
ENDS...

SHE'D LOOK
SO CUTE IF
SHE WORE
SOME MAID
CLOTHES...

IS THE
CAT (BEN
JOHNSON)
THAT
I HELPED
BACK THEN
DOING
OKAY?



THAT DAY,
I HAD A
THOUGHT.

おめい

Read
11:20

Is Ben Johnson okay?



Amemiya



Of course!!

おこい
11:26



Amemiya



Do you want to come and see him?

11:27

!?

ドキ



Ghhh...

THE
SENDER
WAS
REALLY
NERVOUS
TOO.

ドキドキ



SO NEXT
TUESDAY...
HAJIME-SAN
WILL BE
IN MY...

I KIND
OF JUST
INVITED
HIM
TO MY
ROOM
ON A
WHIM...

OKAY,
WHAT
NOW...



OH, AND
I SHOULD
PROBABLY
CLEAN
THE BATH
TOO...

AND
MAYBE I'LL
SCRUB THE
ENTRANCE
CLEAN AS
WELL...

ANYWAYS,
I SHOULD
CLEAN
MY ROOM,
RIGHT?



Bath...

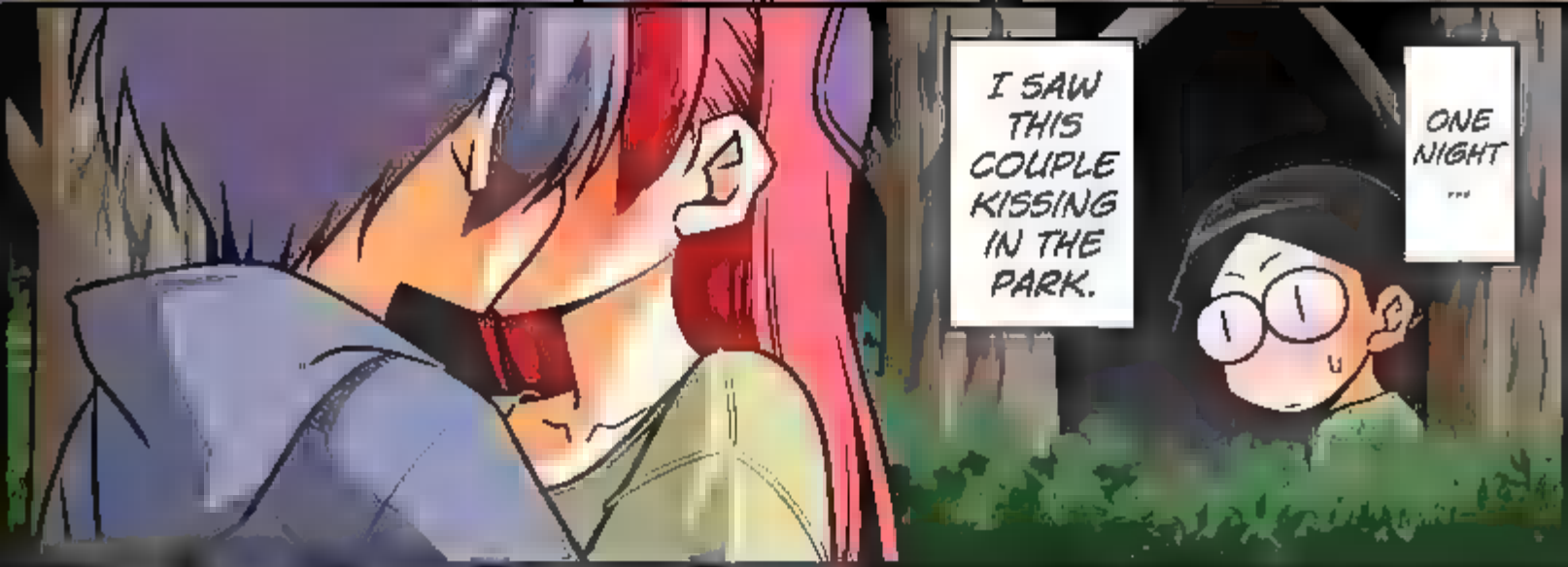


BUT SHE
CLEANED
THE BATH
JUST TO
BE SAFE.

WON'T I MEAN,
BE INTER- LIKE,
ESTED HAJIME-
IN THAT SAN...
STUFF AT
ALL...!

NO WAY
THAT'S
HAPPEN- OF-OF
ING! COURSE
NOT!

NO NO
NO NO!



I SAW
THIS
COUPLE
KISSING
IN THE
PARK.

ONE
NIGHT

I ALWAYS
THOUGHT
KISSING
WAS JUST
A 2D
THING...

LOVERS
REALLY
DO KISS...

WOW...

CAN
KISS ON
THE LIPS,
RIGHT...?

SO
MAYBE
ONE DAY,
HIMEKA-
SAN AND
I...



RIGHT
...!?

AND
I'LL TELL
HER THAT
I REALLY,
REALLY
WANT TO
SEE THIS
CAT.

I'M GONNA
FORGET
ABOUT
ALL THOSE
NAUGHTY
URGES
FOR A SEC

BUT
AT THE
END
OF THE
DAY, MY
GOAL
IS THE
CAT!

て3て3

LAIN →

TRUE, I'M
FEELING
VERY
ANXIOUS
RIGHT
NOW...

TOMOR-
ROW, I'M
GOING
TO VISIT
HIMEKA-
SAN'S
HOUSE.



!?

Ping



< Hajime



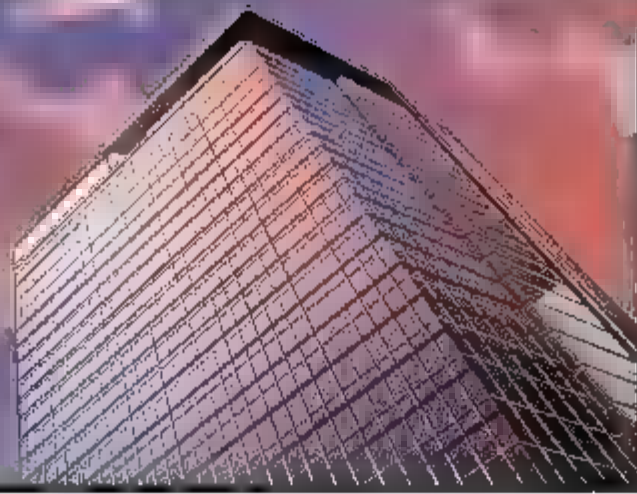
We're going to do lots of
hugging and playing
tomorrow♡

19:07

IT TOOK HER
FIVE MINUTES
TO REALIZE
THIS ~~TEXT~~
ABOUT HER CAT.



SHE'S REALLY
RUBBING MY
UNEMPLOY-
MENT IN MY
FACE HERE....!



IT'S A
REALLY
IMPRES-
SIVE
CONDO.

I CAME
TO
HIMEKA-
SAN'S
PLACE.

OKAY,
COME ON
IN. DON'T
BE SHY.



AH,
WELCOME.

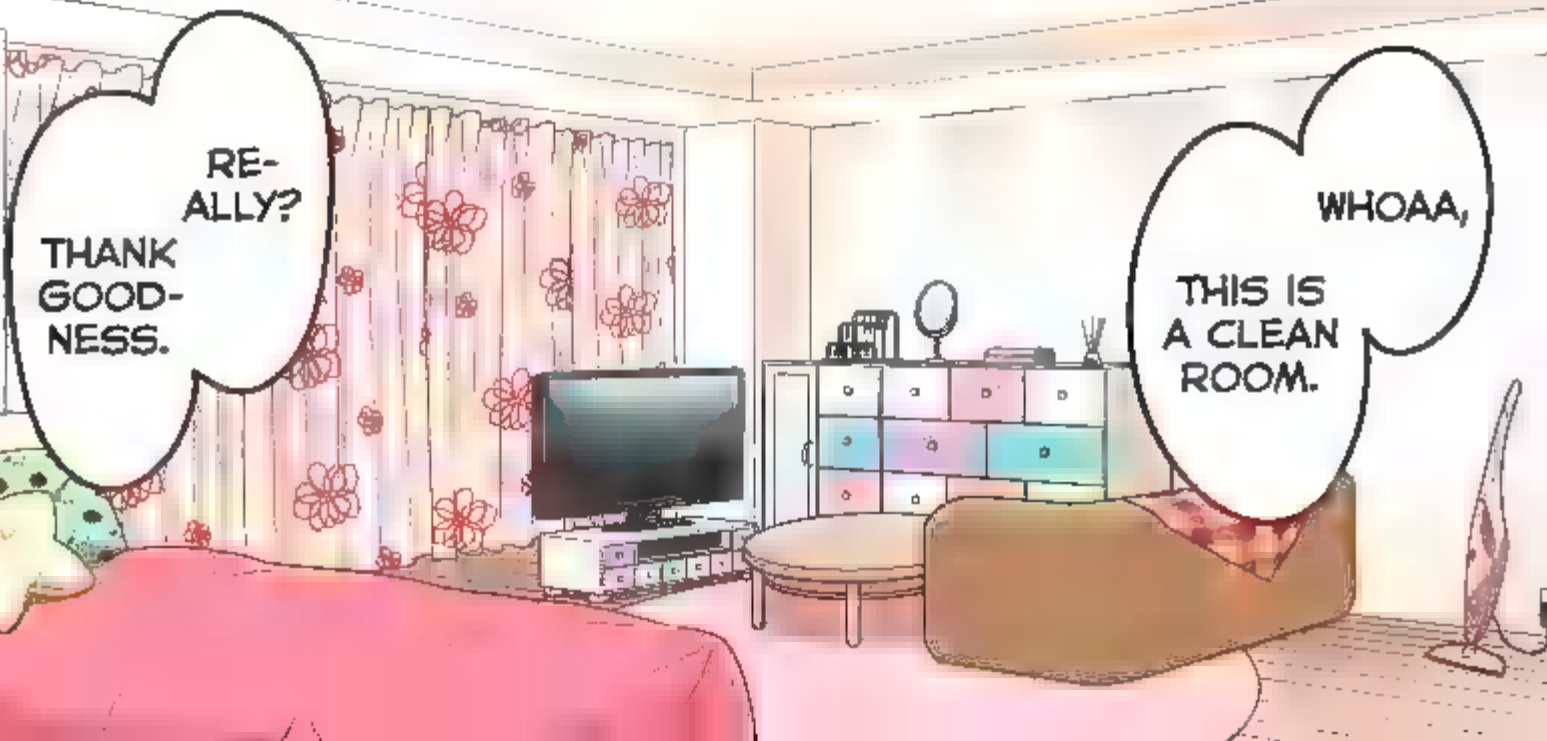
KHHHH!
I SMELL THE
WONDERFUL
ESSENCE OF
FLOWERS.



O-OKAY
THEN...

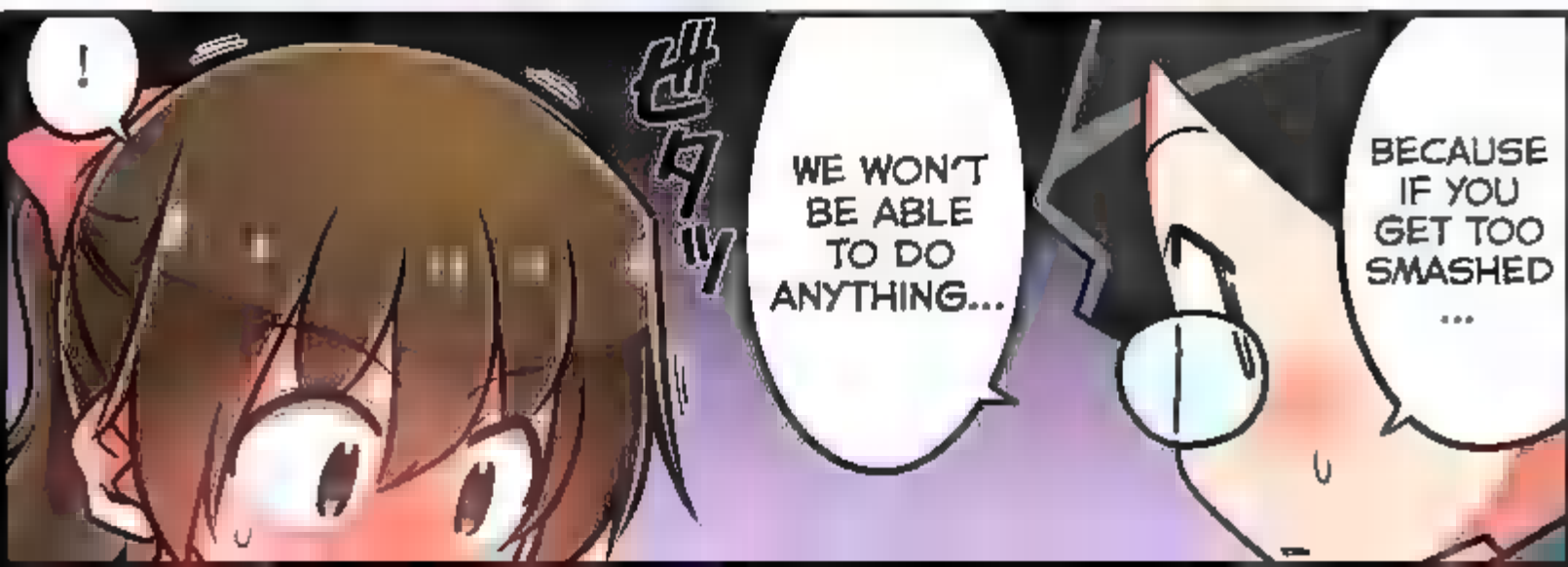
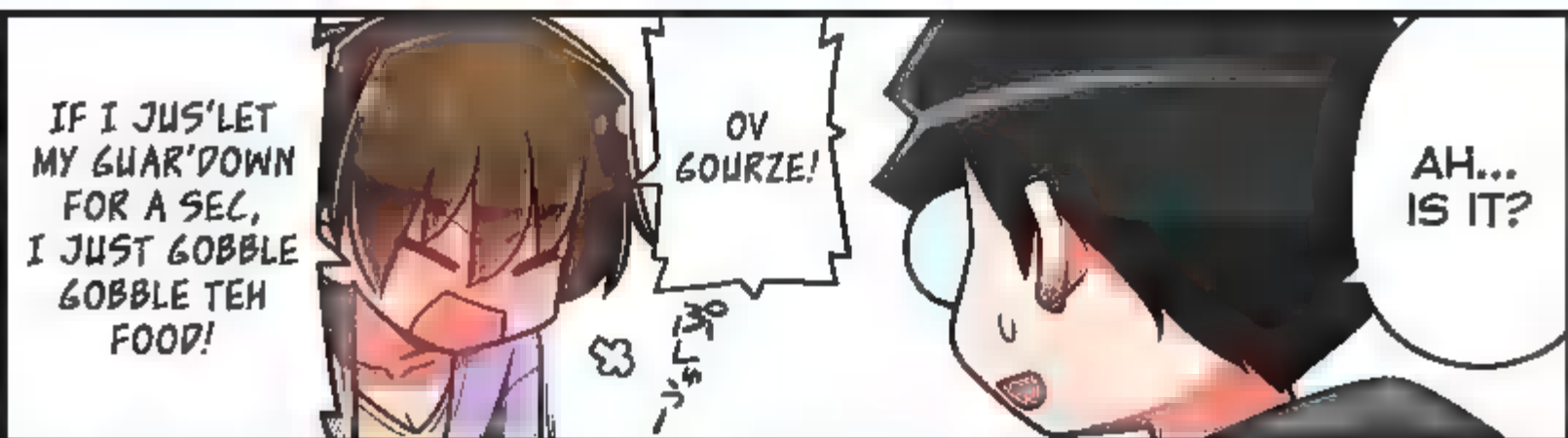
THIS
IS MY
FIRST
TIME
GOING
INTO A
GIRL'S
HOUSE...

RE-
ALLY?
THANK
GOOD-
NESS.



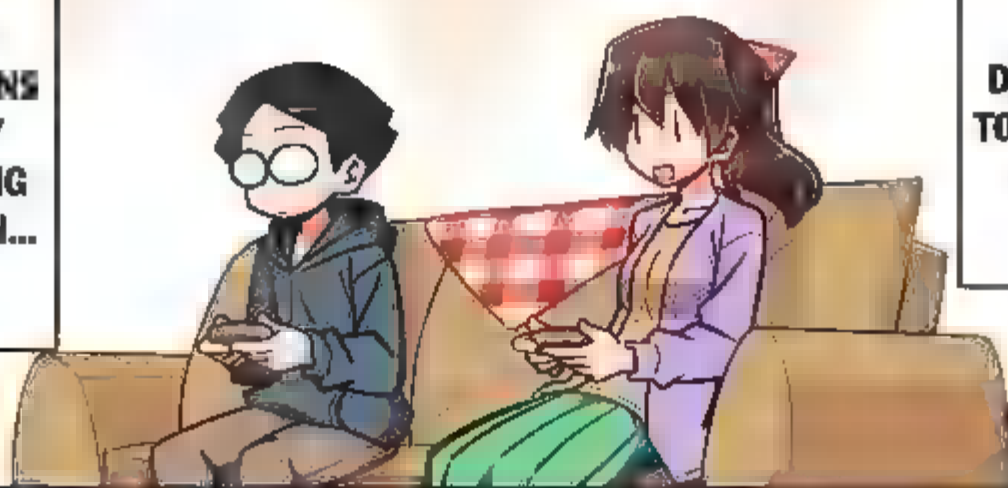
WHOOA,
THIS IS A
CLEAN
ROOM.





AND HAD
SOME FUN
CONVERSATIONS
WHILE THEY
WERE PLAYING
GAMES, WHEN...

THEY
ATE
TOGETH-
ER,
DRANK
TOGETH-
ER,



OH
RIGHT...

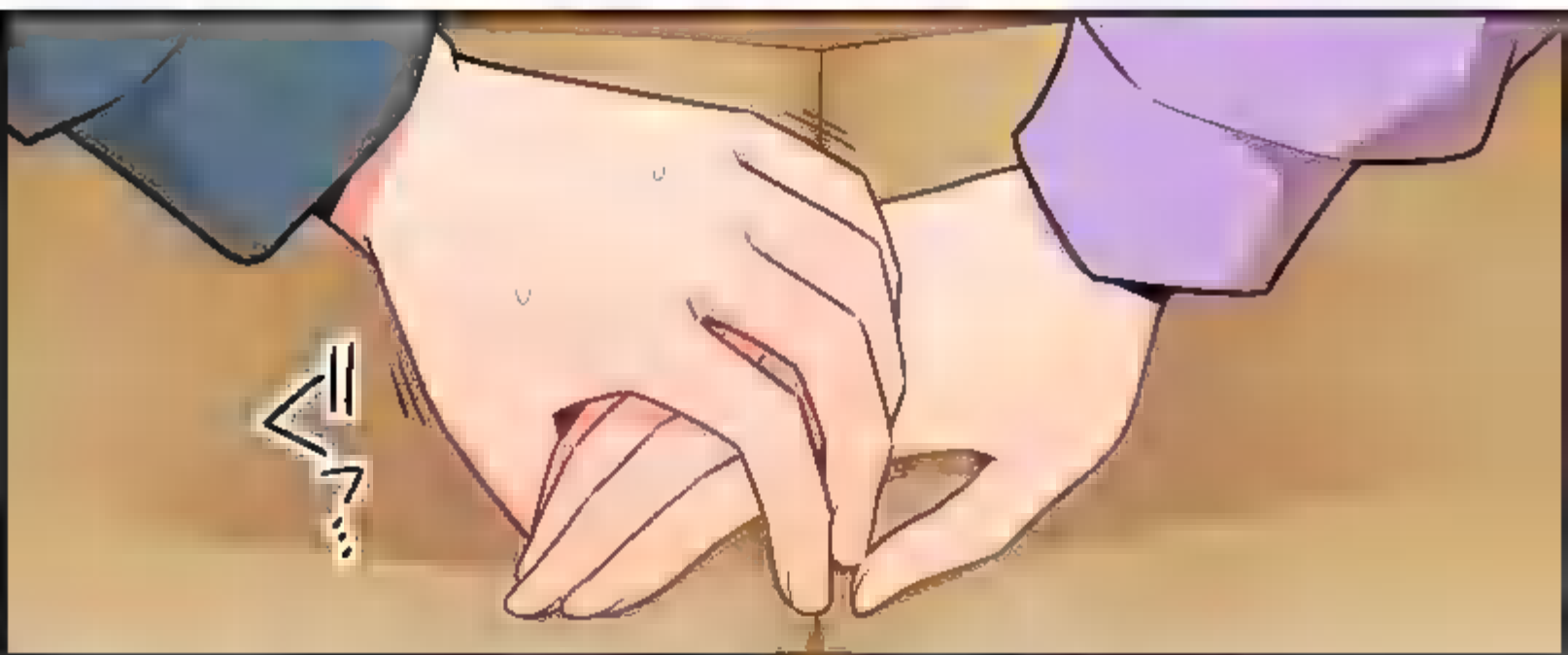


WHAT
DID YOU
MEAN BY
THAT?

WHEN YOU
SAID "WE
WON'T BE
ABLE TO
DO ANY-
THING"...

...I
SEE?

N-
NO,
WELL,
YOU
SEE....!



Y... YES,
I DID...

DID YOU
GRAB
MY HAND
JUST
NOW...?

OH...?





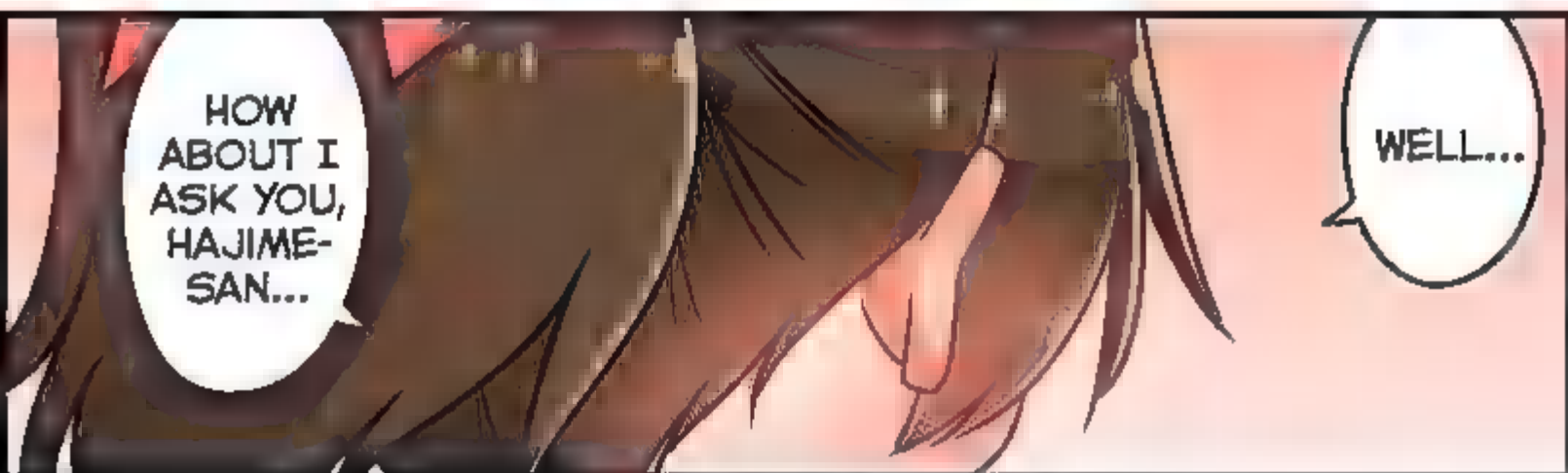
KISS
YOU...?

CAN
I...

.....

NO.

!?





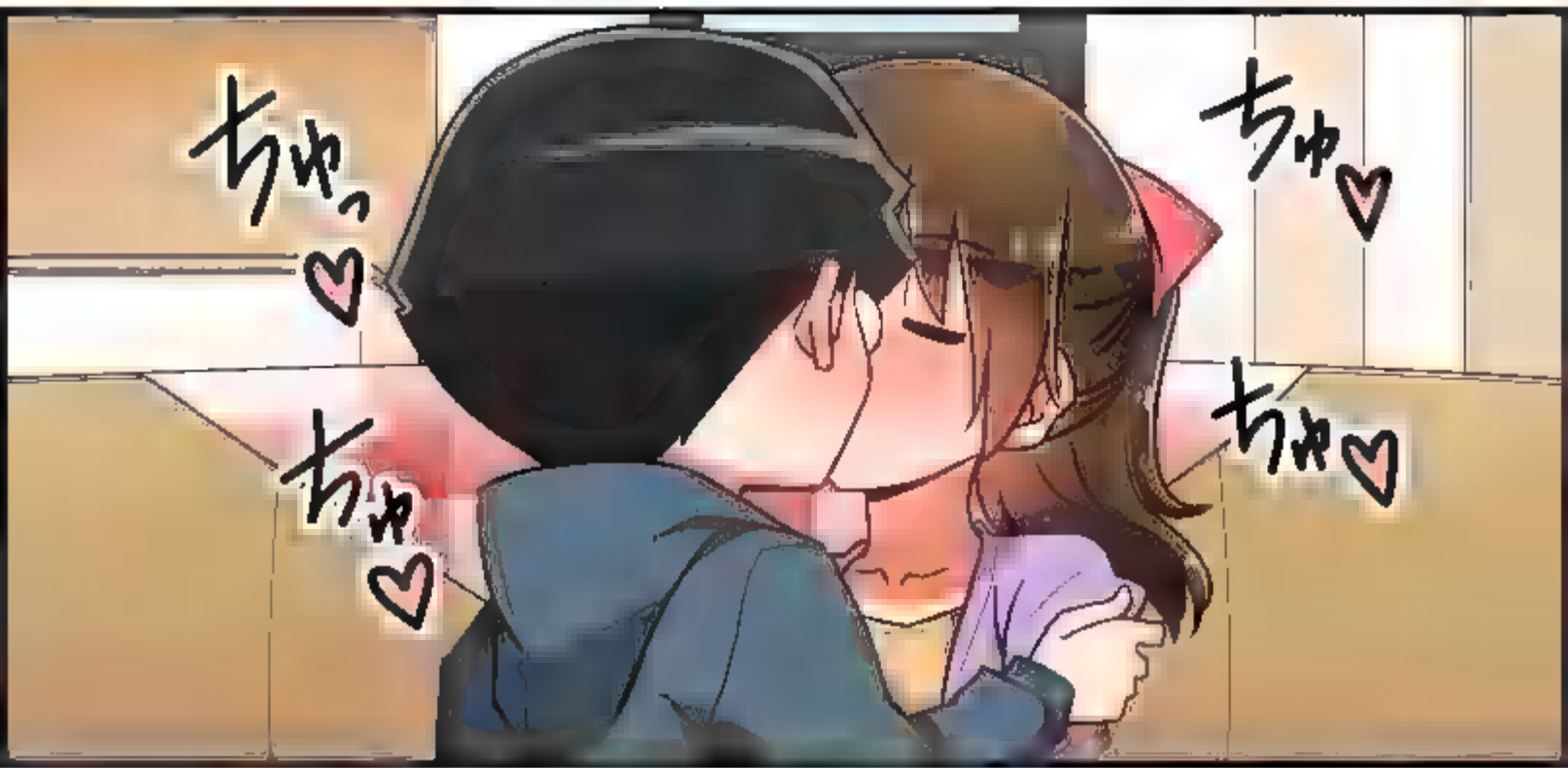
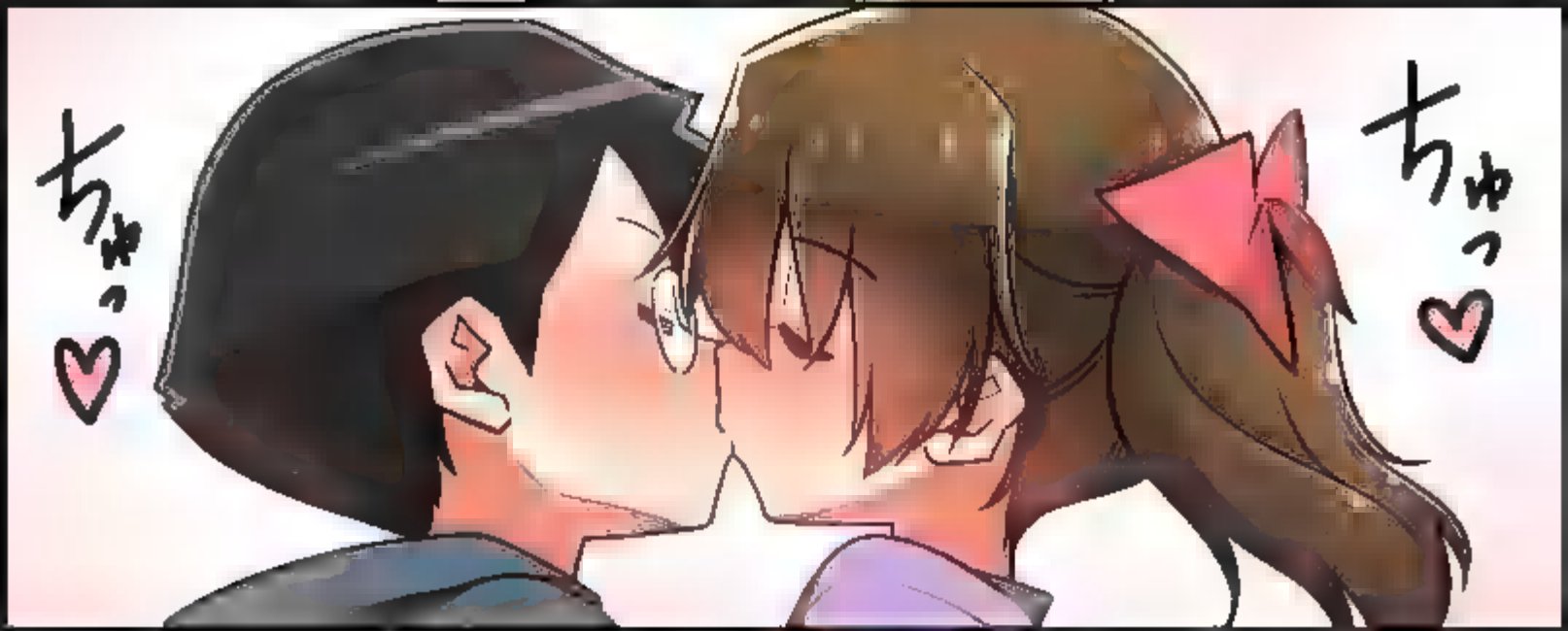
I
LOVE
YOU

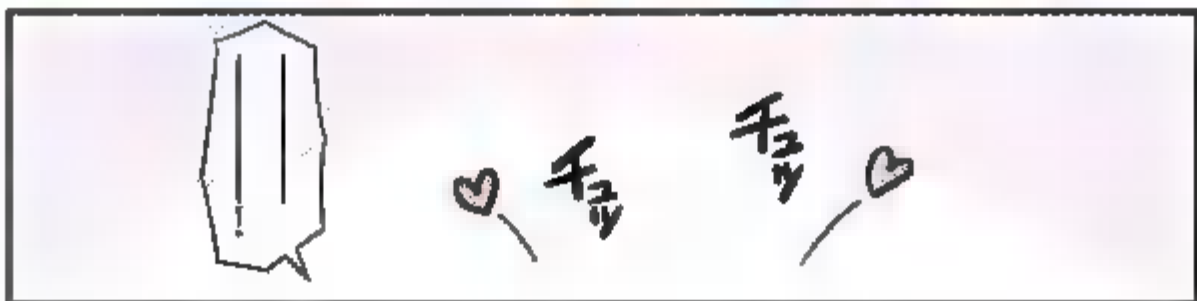
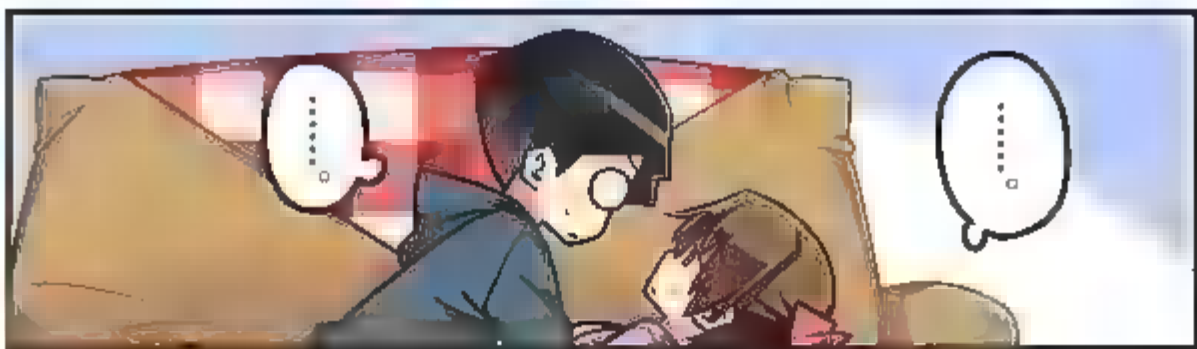
HIME-
KA-
SAN...



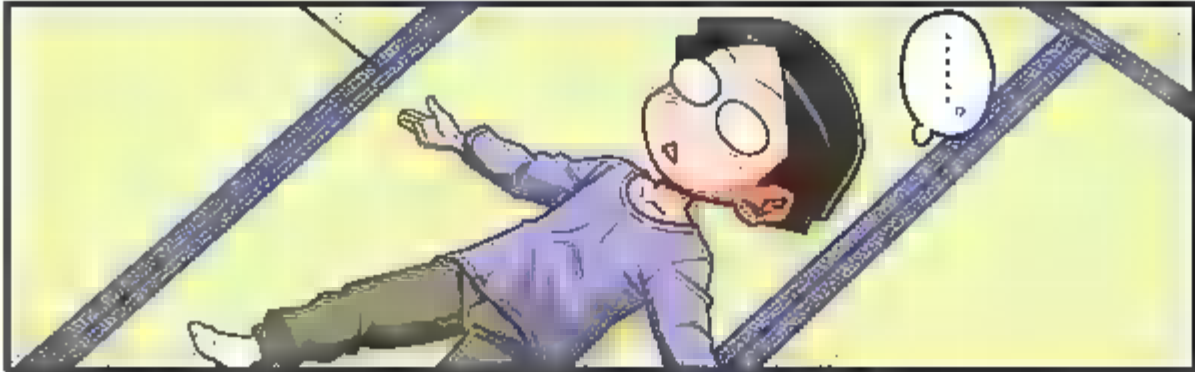
ME
TOO

HA-
JIME-
SAN...



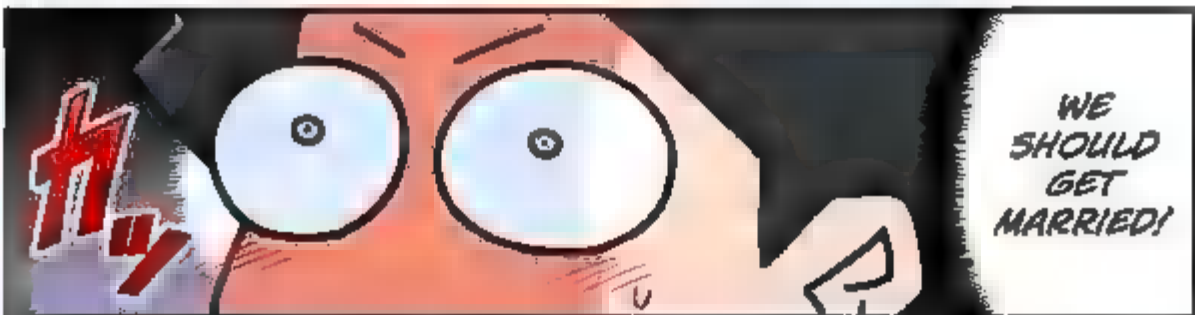


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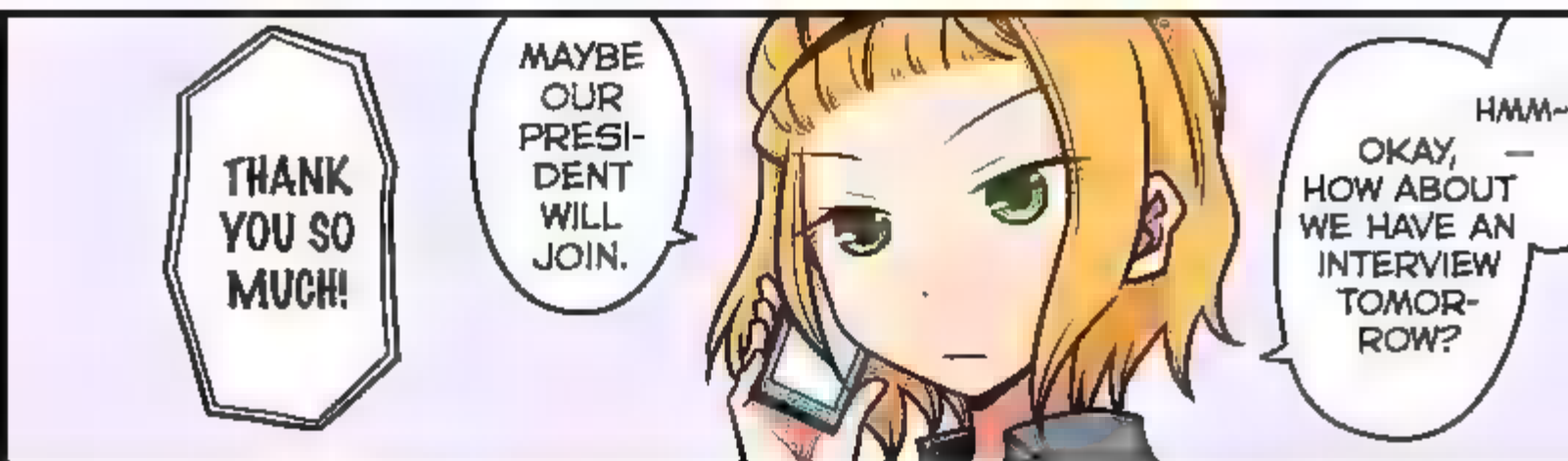


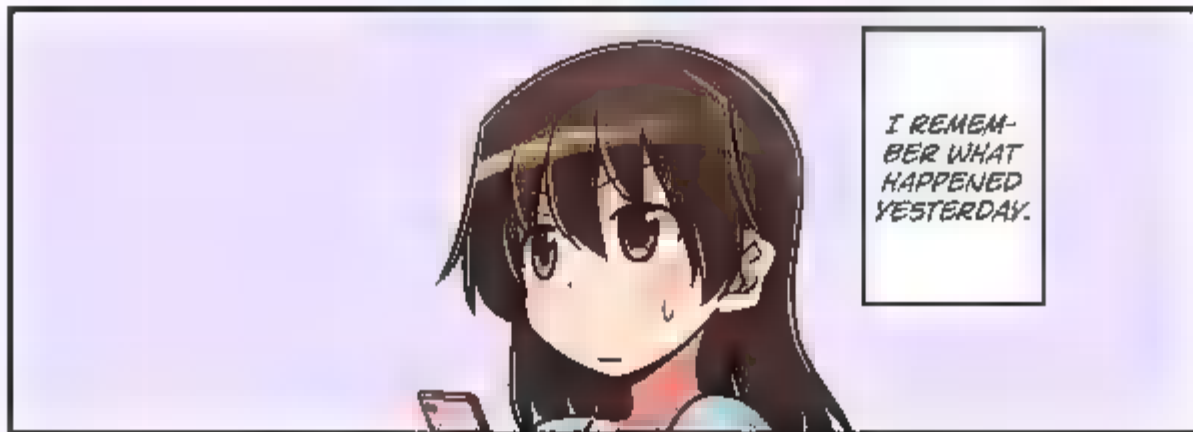
A LOT
OF
THINGS
HAP-
PENED,
BUT...

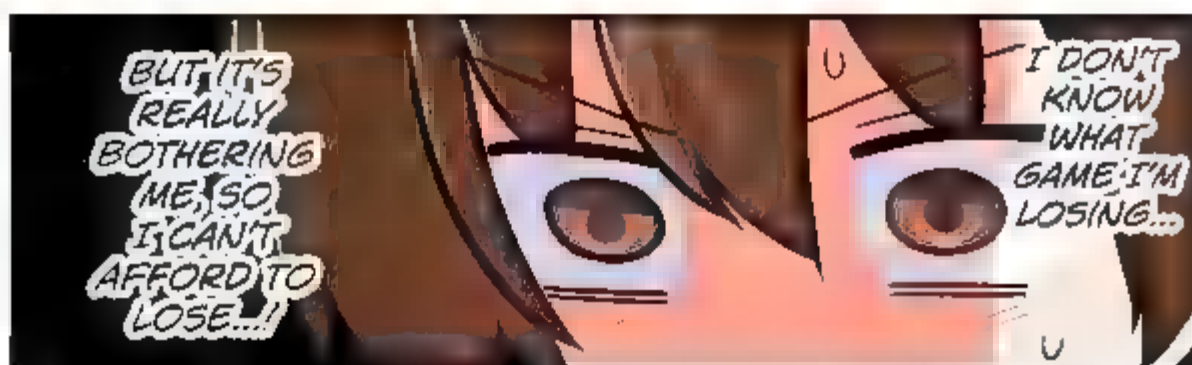
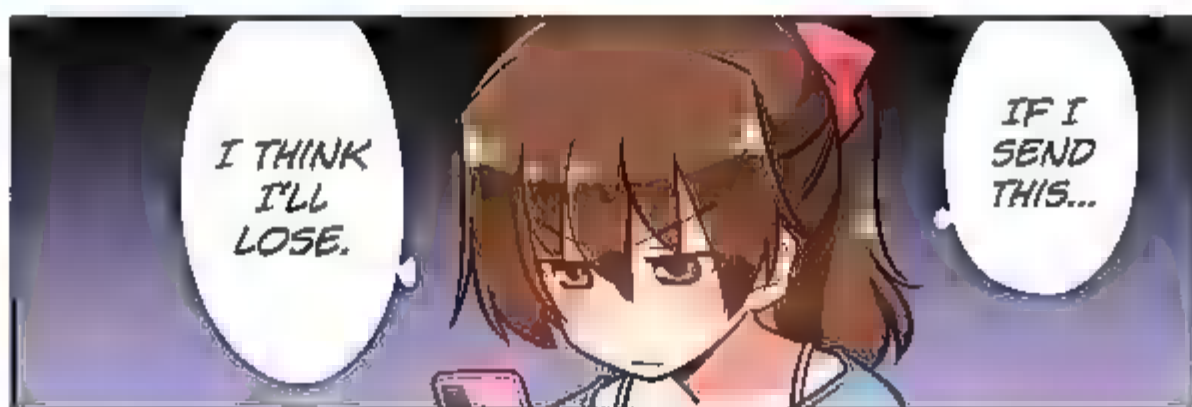
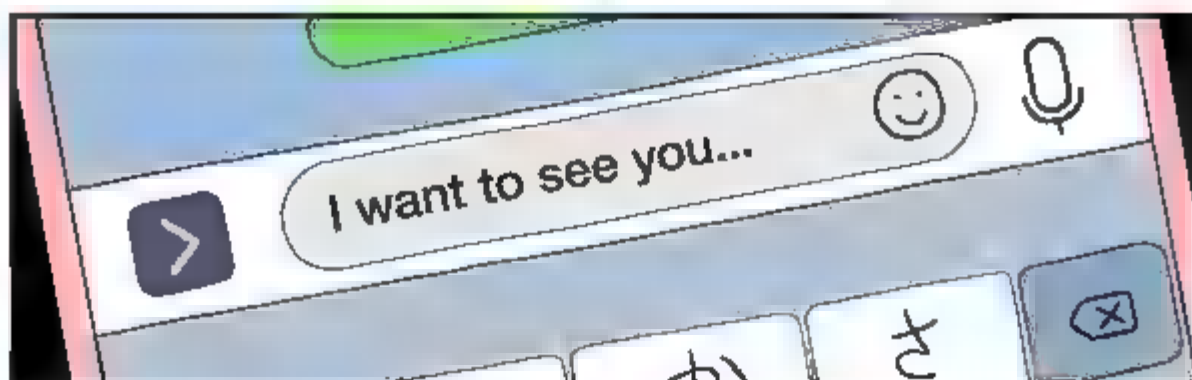
WELL
...



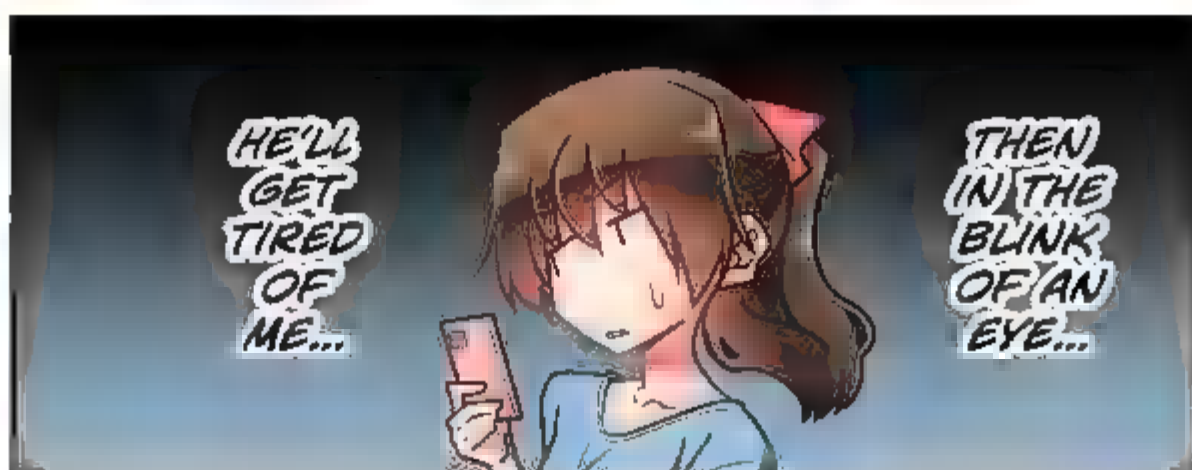
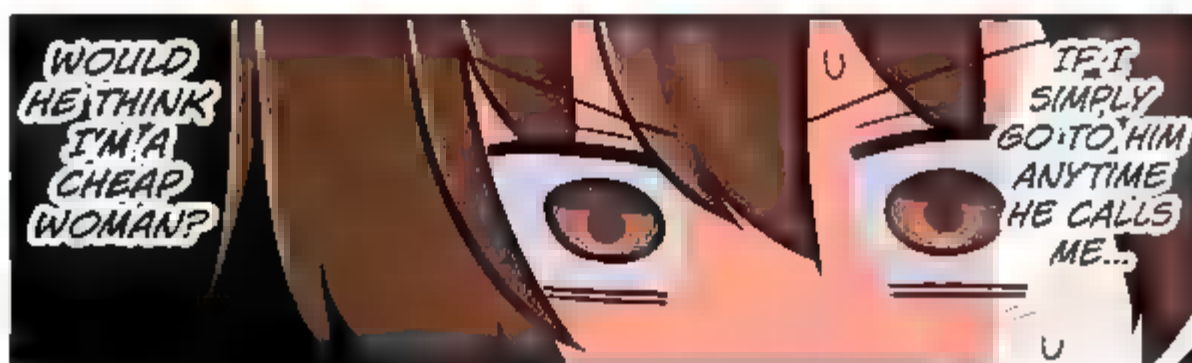
Hata also posted "What happened that night will be in the volume... (no plans right now...)"

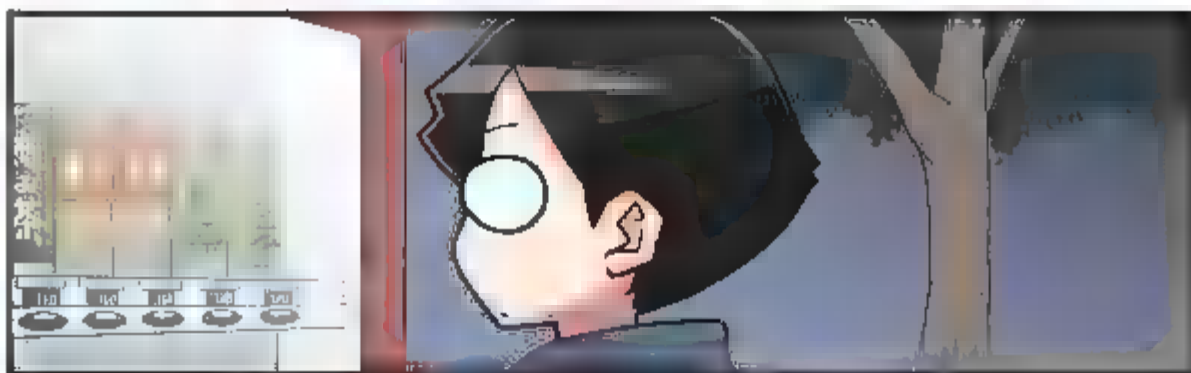


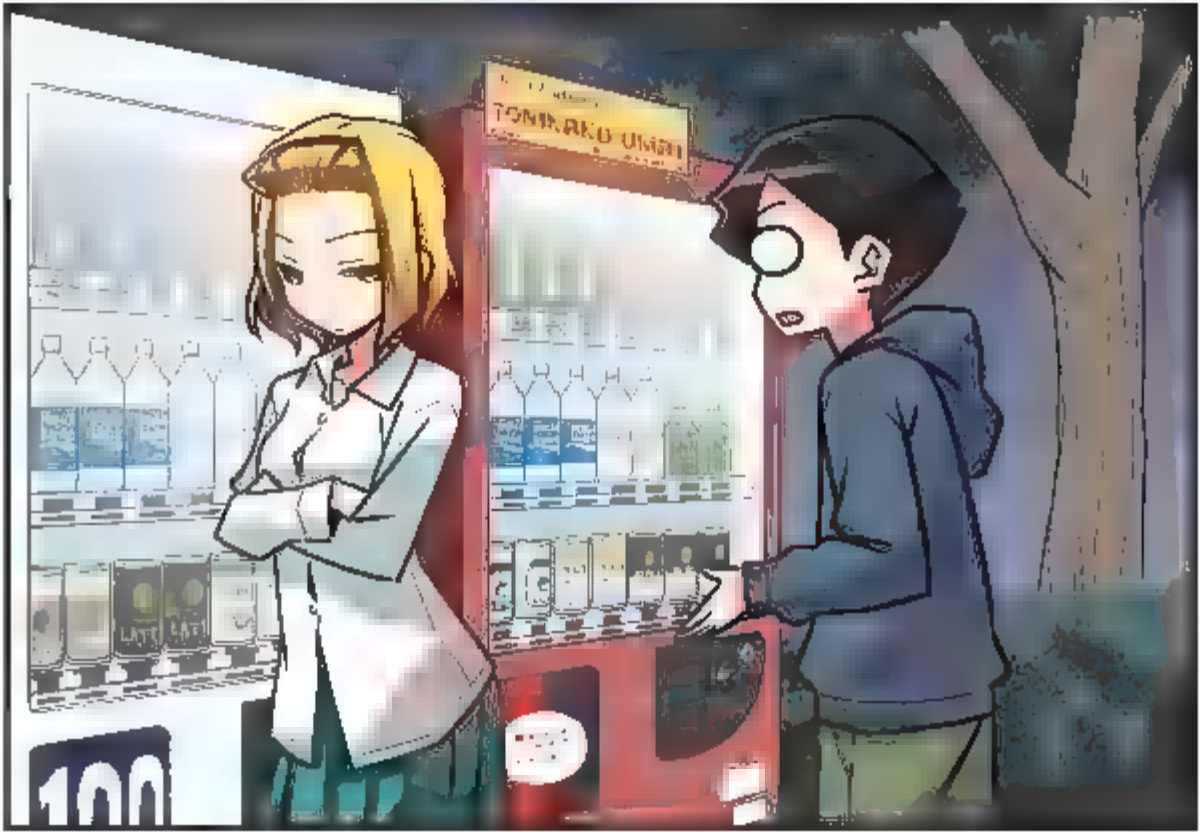















CAN I GET
ONE MORE
CHANCE (AT
MY JOB)?

UHH...

IT'S
OVER
NOW.

(THAT
INTERVIEW
DIDN'T GO
WELL...)

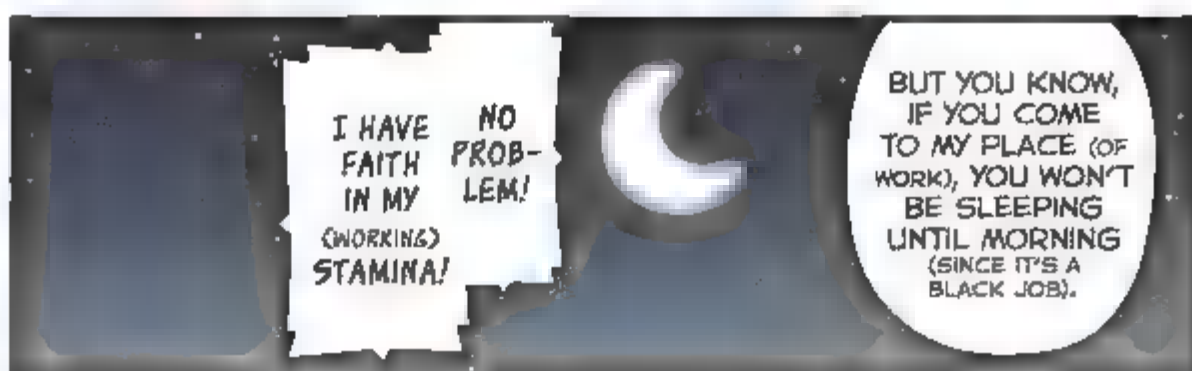
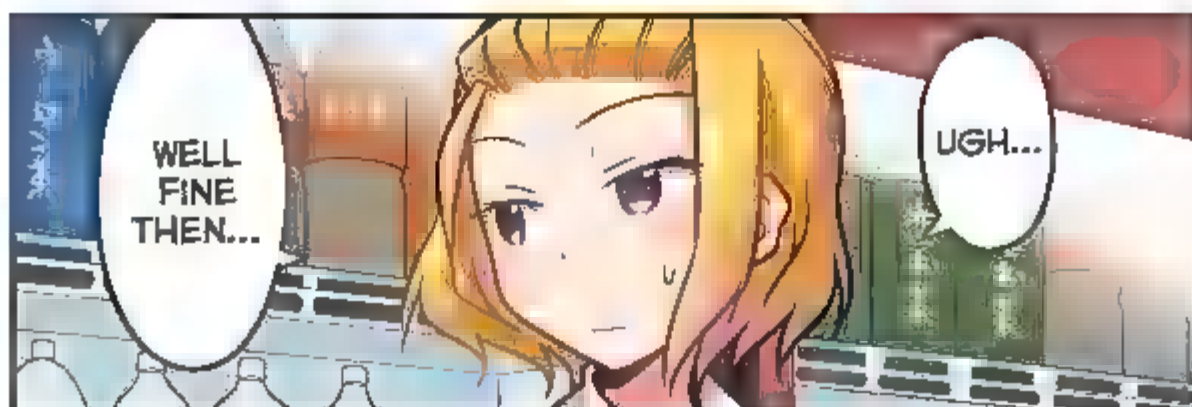
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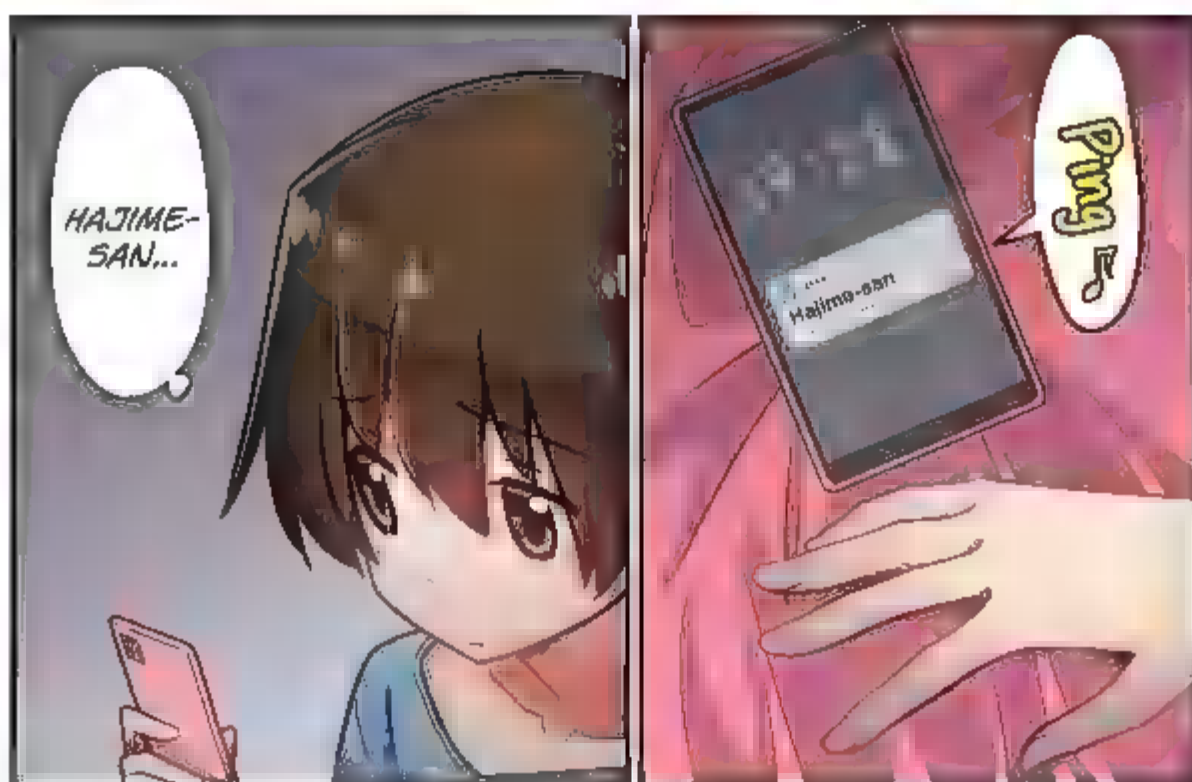
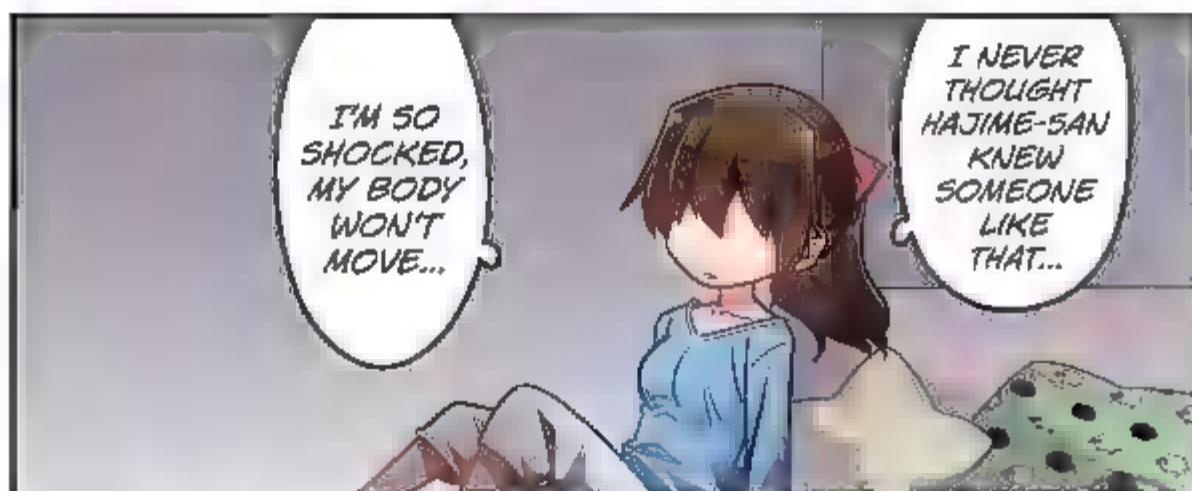
IF YOU ABANDON
ME NOW, SENPAI,
I... I'LL BE
COMPLETELY
HOPELESS (IN THE
JOB HUNT)....!

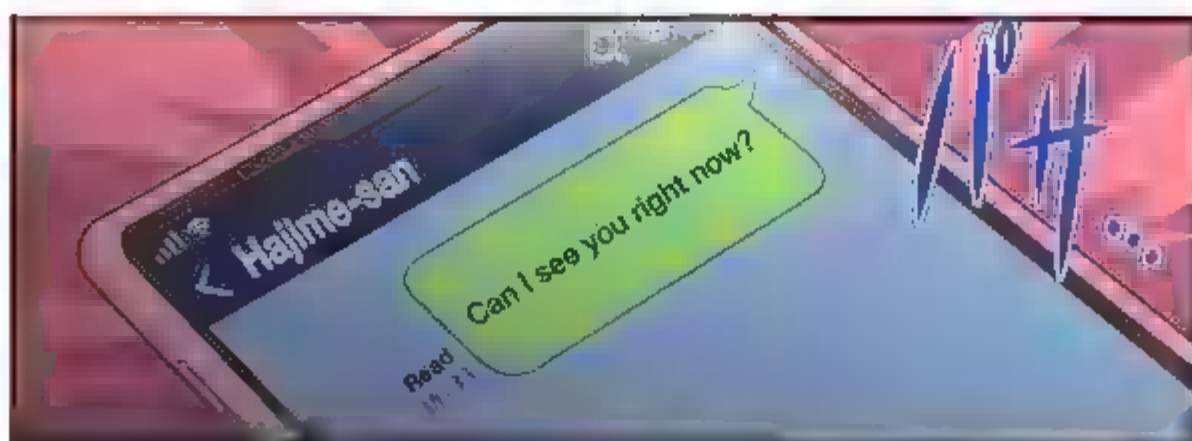
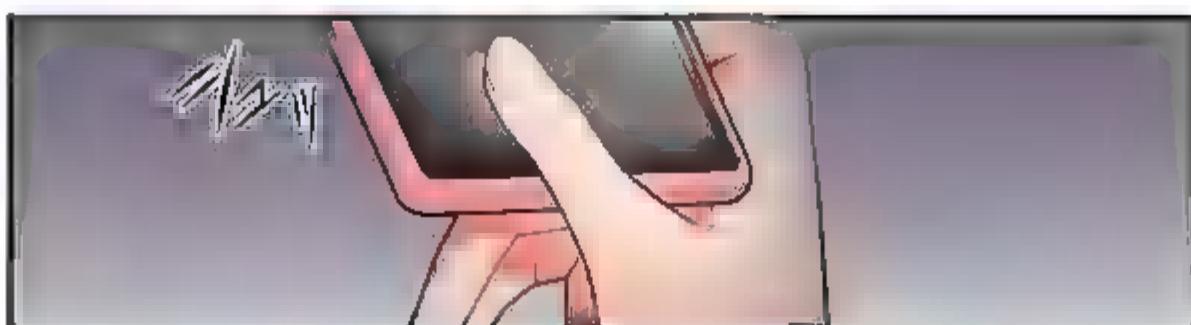
BUT...!

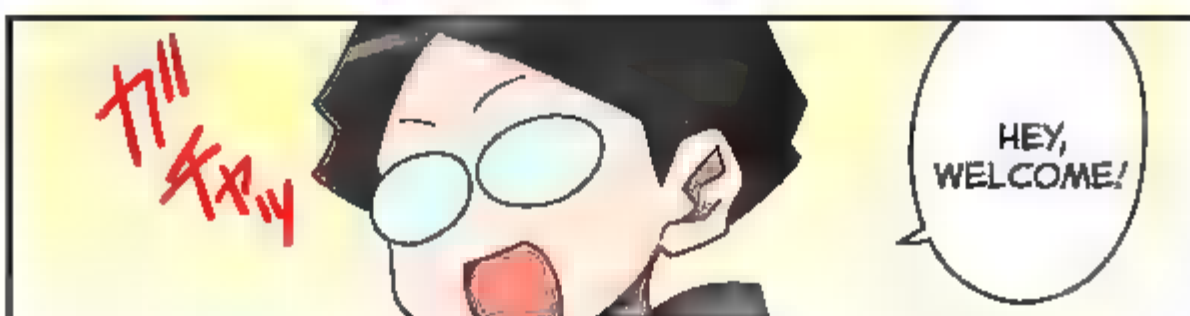
FOR
ME!

YOU'RE THE
ONLY ONE
(WITH A
JOB OP)
FOR ME!

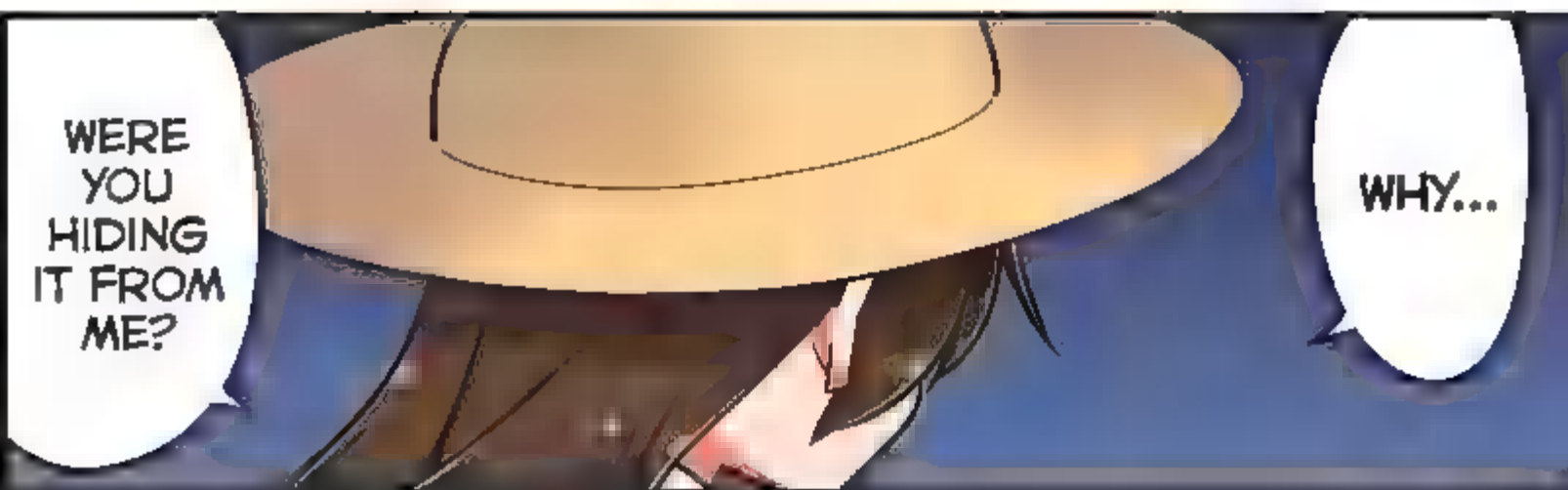












**THAT
I'M UNEM-
PLOYED...**



**THIS
WAS NOT
WHAT SHE
EXPECTED.**





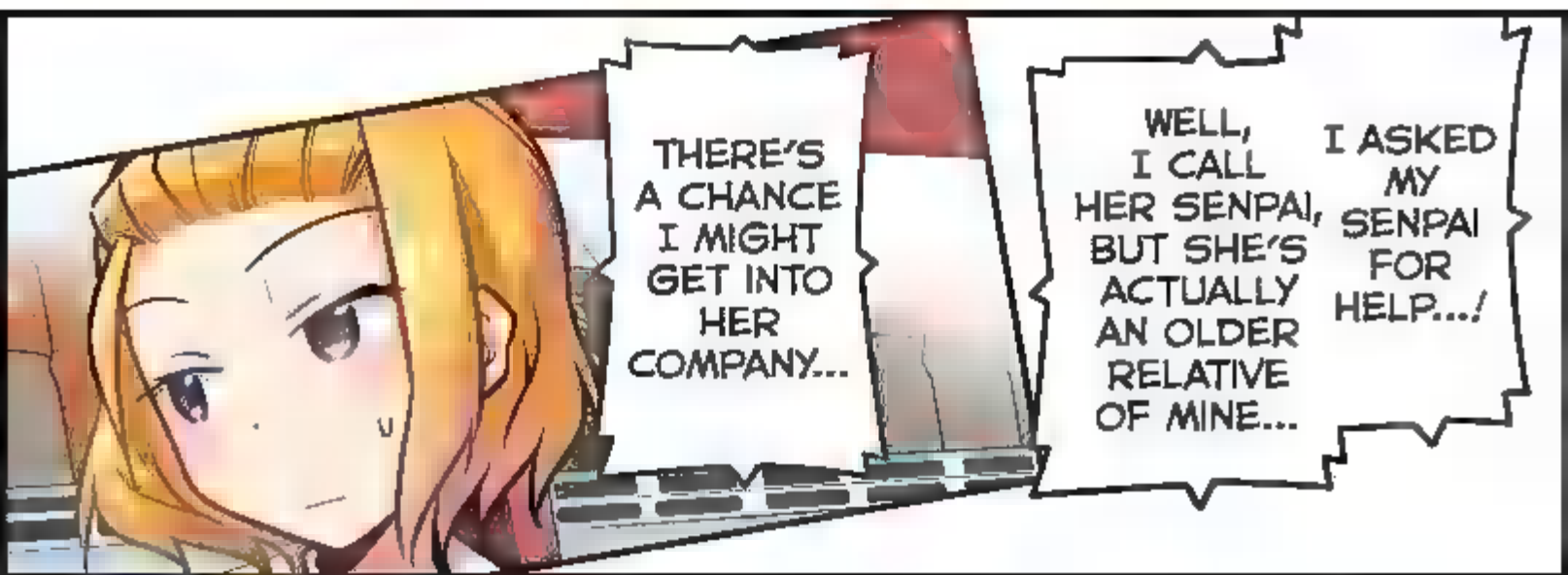
Y-YES...

U...
UNEM-
PLOYED?



I'M
ACTUALLY
LOOKING
FOR A JOB!

AH,
BUT...!



THERE'S
A CHANCE
I MIGHT
GET INTO
HER
COMPANY...

WELL,
I CALL
HER SENPAI,
BUT SHE'S
ACTUALLY
AN OLDER
RELATIVE
OF MINE...

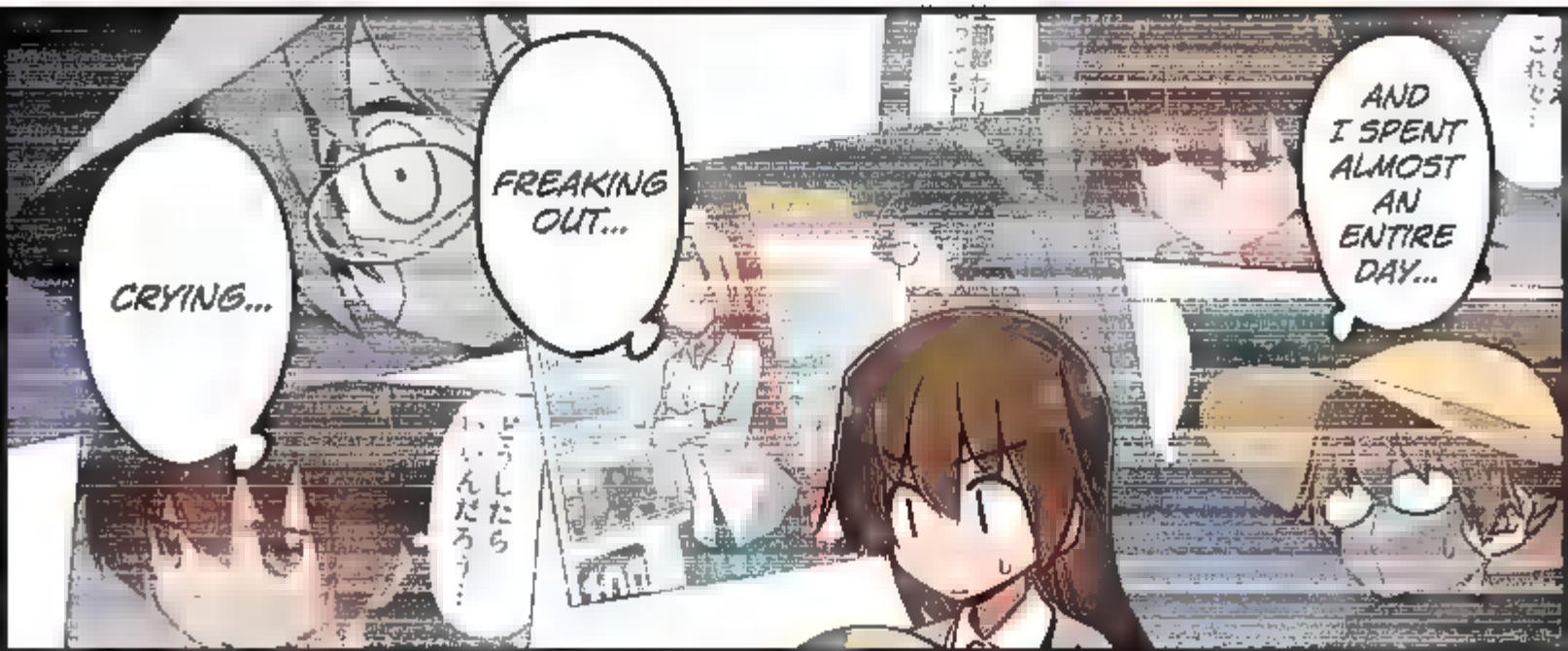
I ASKED
MY
SEMPAI
FOR
HELP...!



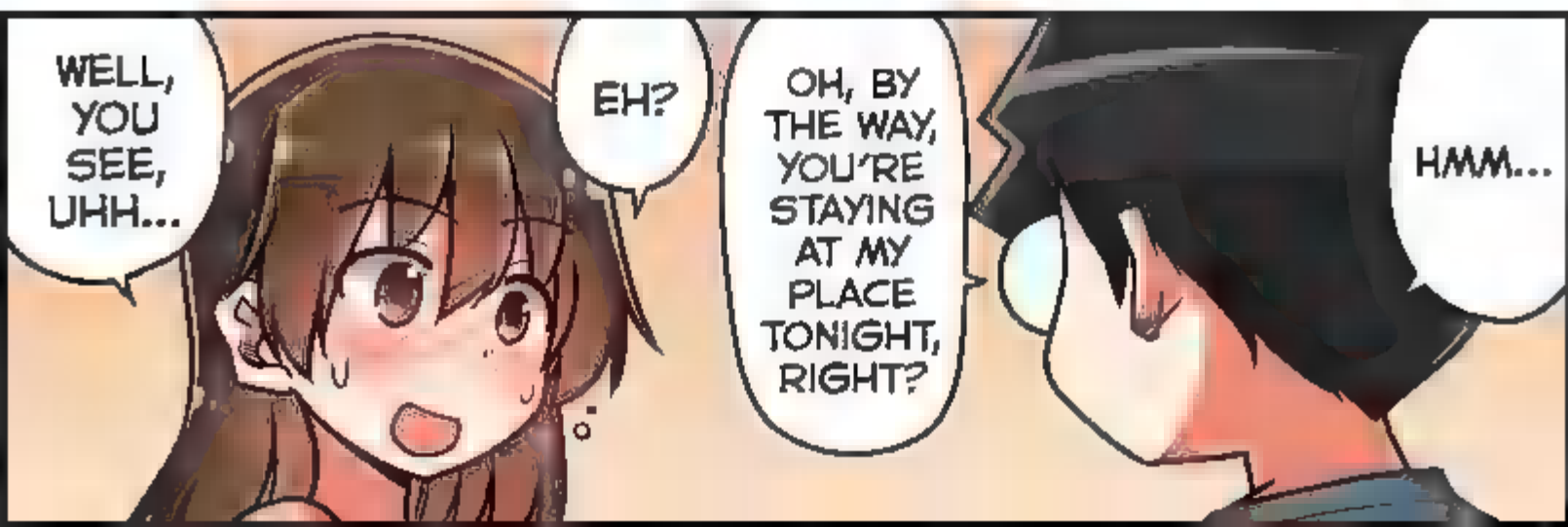
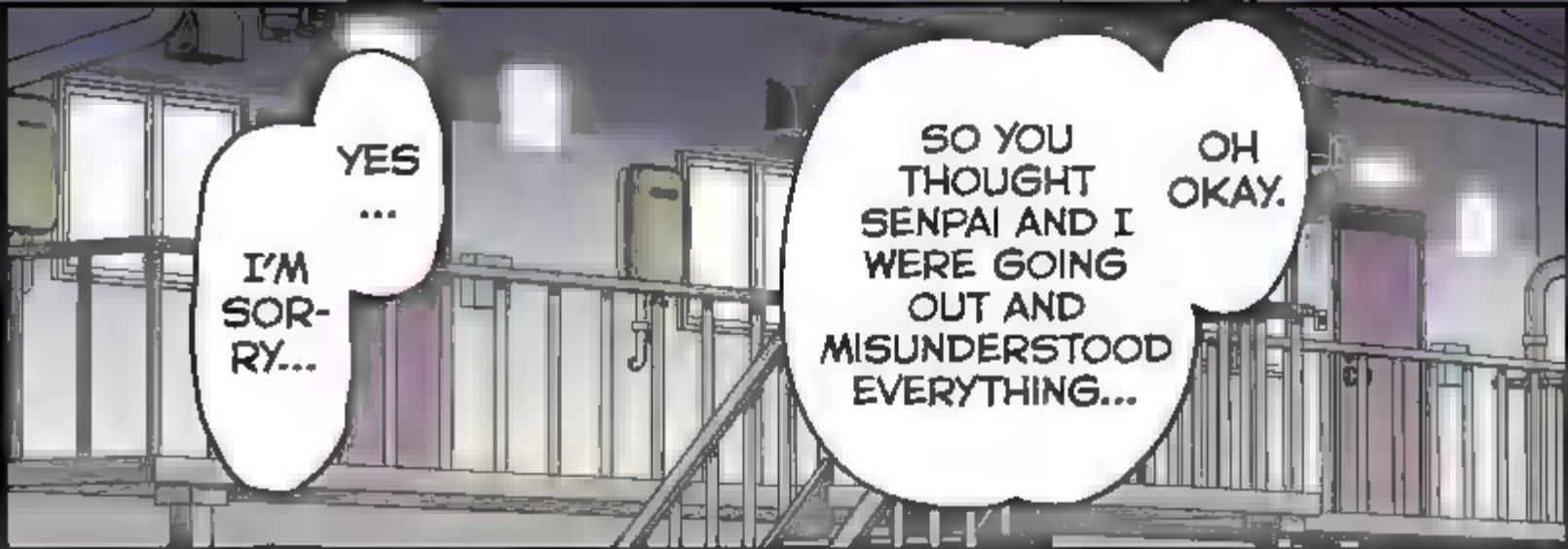
AH,
DID YOU
SEE US?

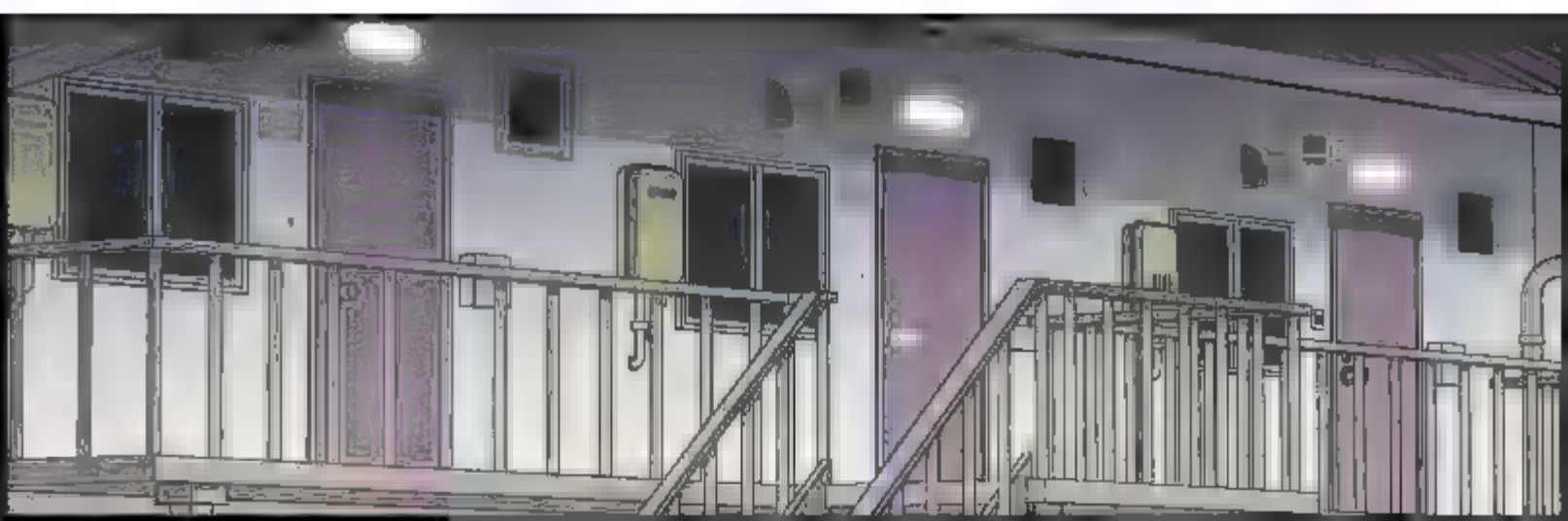
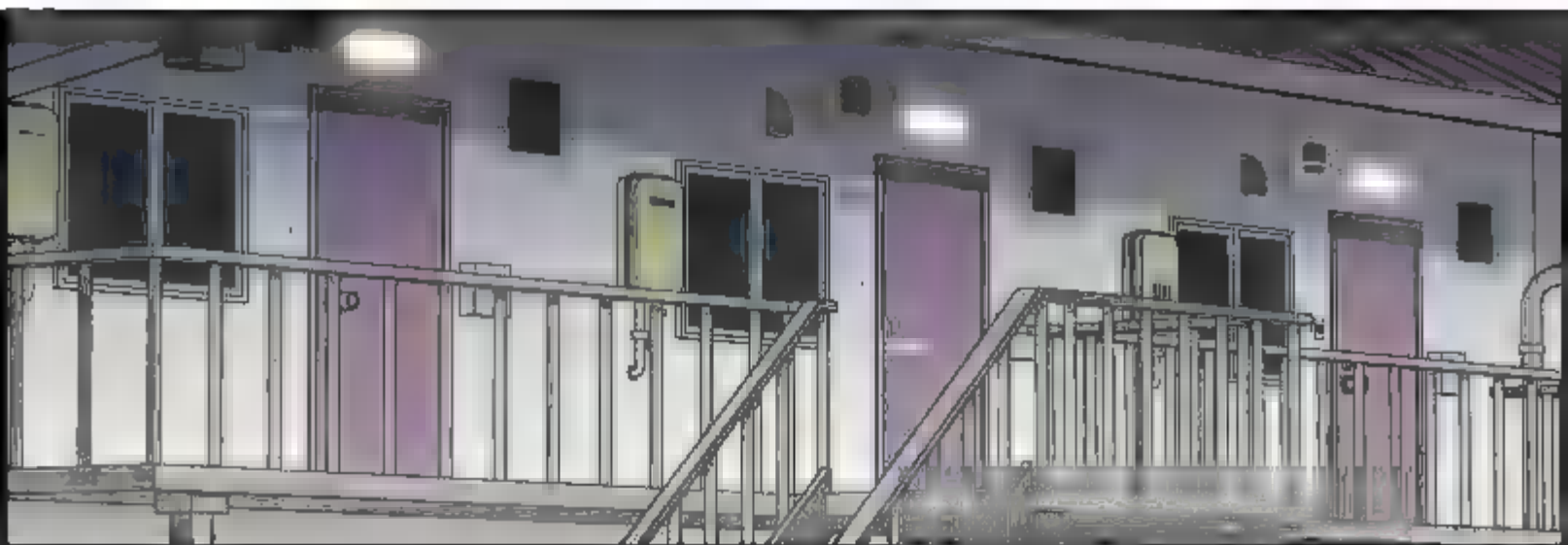
THAT'S
RIGHT.

WAIT A
MINUTE
...
WAS THAT
THE GIRL
YOU WERE
TALKING
TO IN THE
PARK
BEFORE?











"I'M
OKAY
WITH
DYING
NOW..."

SOME-
TIMES,
I THINK
TO
MYSELF
...



Day 74



IF IT
COULDN'T
BE
RESTORED,
THE
DAMAGES
COULD BE
INSUR-
MOUNT-
ABLE.

PLUS,
THE COMPANY
WASN'T VERY
BIG AND
MANAGEMENT
WAS VERY
NAIVE, SO
EVERYONE
FREAKED OUT.

ONE OF
THE WORST
MISTAKES AN
ENGINEER
COULD EVER
MAKE.

IT WAS
A HOR-
RIBLE
MISTAKE.

SORRY.

YEAH,
THAT'S
RIGHT
...

APPARENTLY,
HE'S THE
NEWLYWED
ENGINEER SHE
WAS TELLING
ME ABOUT
BEFORE.

SENPAI
CON-
TACTED
SOME-
ONE.

C-CAN
HE DO
SOME-
THING
ABOUT
THIS
SITUATION
THOUGH?

HE
SAID
HE'LL
DO
SOME-
THING.

THAT'S
GOOD
...

THE TEARS
NEVER
STOPPED
FLOWING.

SO
JUST GO
HOME FOR
TODAY.

BUT
WHENEVER
HE SAYS
HE'LL DO
SOMETHING,
HE SOMEHOW
MANAGES
TO DO IT...

I
DON'T
REALLY
KNOW...



THAT'S
GOOD...

TH...

CAN I SAY
THANK YOU
TO THAT
PERSON
OR...

PAR-
DON,
BUT...
UHH...

APPAR-
ENTLY,
IT'S THE
SYSTEM'S
FAULT.

BUT
HE SAID
"DON'T
WORRY
ABOUT
THE
WHOLE
THING."

OH, SORRY.
HE'S GONE
NOW.

HE FIGURED
HE WOULD
NEVER
CATCH UP
TO THIS
GUY FOR
THE REST
OF HIS LIFE.

BY THE WAY,
HE ALSO REBUILT
THE ENTIRE
MANAGING
SYSTEM FOR US,
SO WE DON'T
NEED TO WORRY
ABOUT THIS
EVER AGAIN.

WEL-
COME,
HIMEKA-
SAN.

AH...



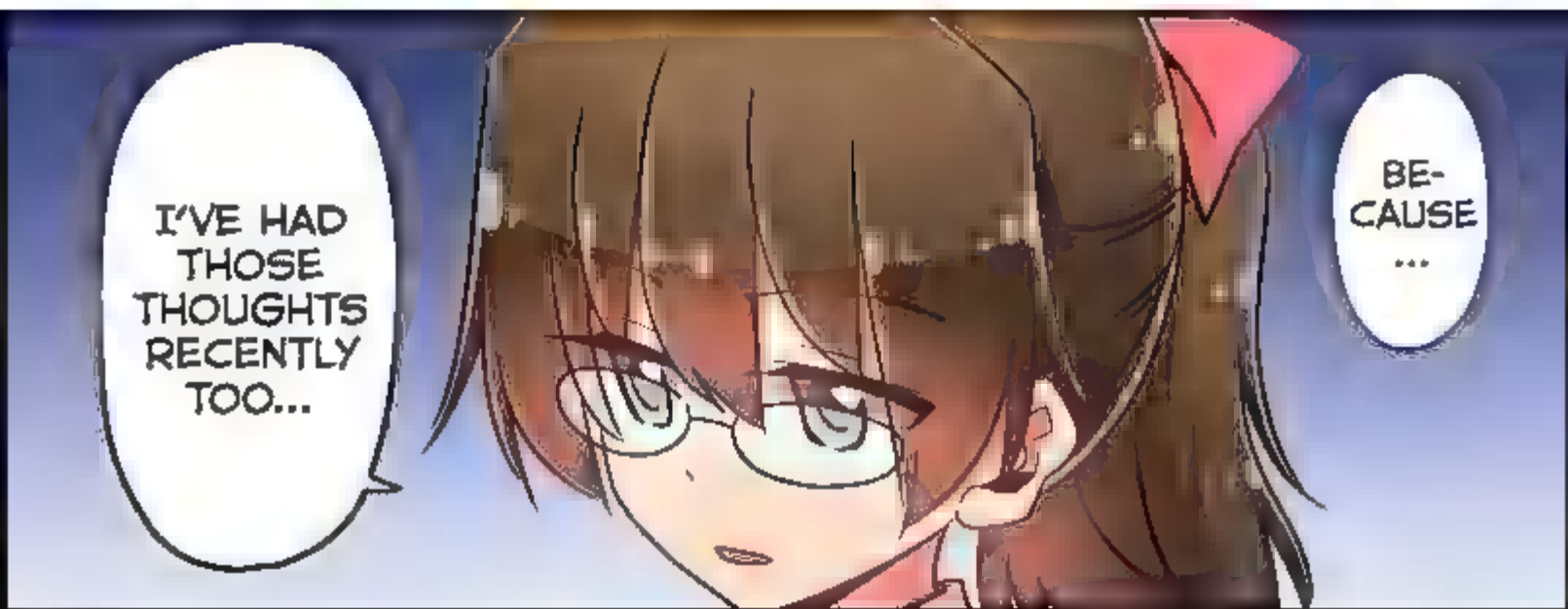
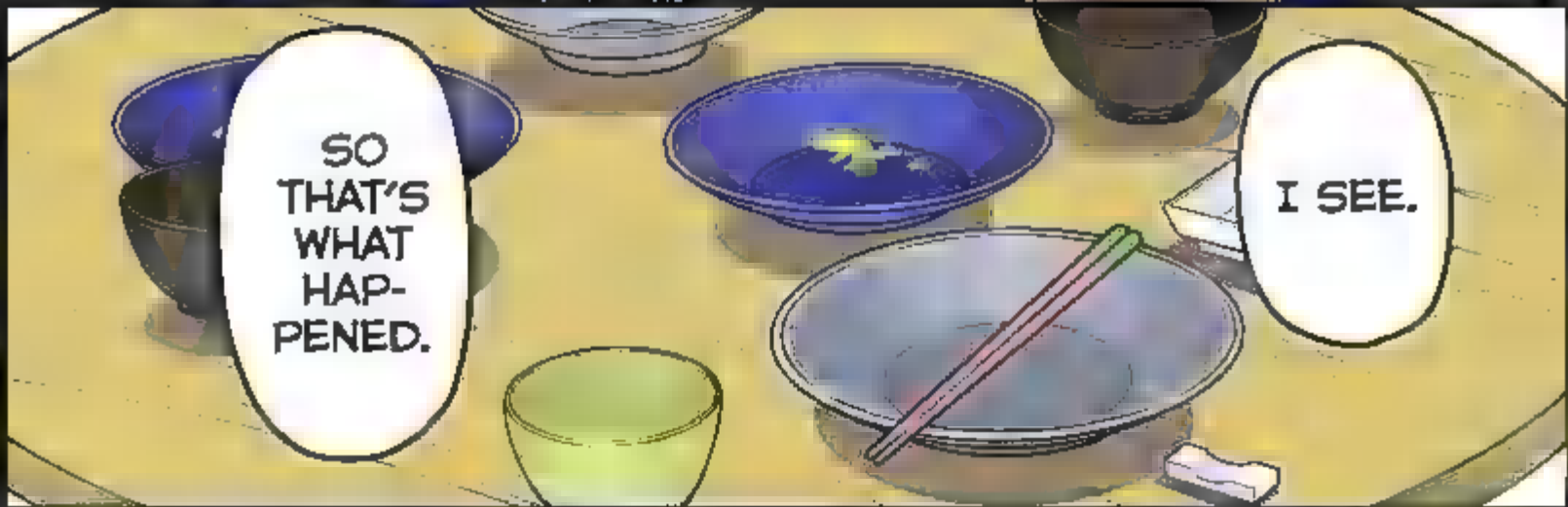
JUST
EAT AS
MUCH
AS YOU
LIKE...

I WORKED
REALLY
HARD TO
MAKE A
TON OF
DISHES
TODAY...

EH!?!?

DID YOU
GET
OLDER
SOME-
HOW?

HA-
JIME-
SAN...



I COULD
DO A
RELA-
TIVELY
GOOD
JOB.

I
THOUGHT
THAT IF I
WORKED
HARD AT
SOME-
THING,

I COULD
GET OVER
IT WITH
SOME
HARD
WORK,
LIKE I
ALWAYS
DID.

BUT I
FIGURED

I FELT
LIKE I
WAS IN A
SLUMP,



HOW-
EVER...





I SAW
SOME-
THING
OVER-
WHELM-
INGLY
AMAZING.




I
THOUGHT
THAT
EVERY-
THING
I KNEW
WAS
WRONG.

AND THE
MOMENT
I FIRST
SAW
THAT...



R-REALLY?

AND ACTUALLY,
I WAS THINKING
ABOUT QUITTING
MY CURRENT
JOB.



I WIT-
NESSED
MY OWN
LIMITS,
YOU
KNOW...

IT'S
LIKE
...

YEAH...

WE'VE
NEVER TALKED
ABOUT MY JOB
BEFORE...

OH,
THAT'S
RIGHT,
HAJIME-
SAN.



ABOUT
WHAT
I DO...

DO YOU
WANNA
ASK?

YES.

HIMEKA-
SAN...? YOUR...
JOB,

ARA,
WHY'S
THAT?

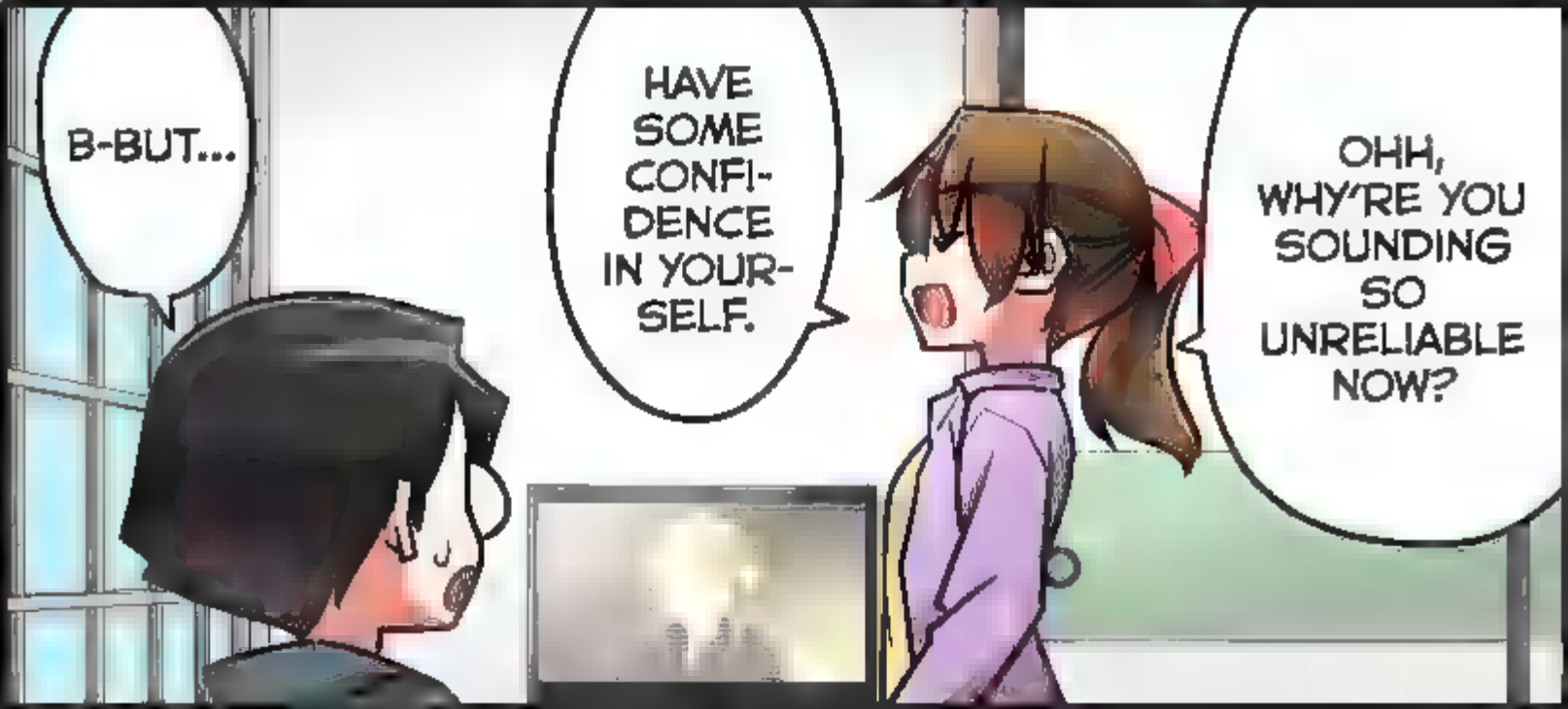
BUT I'D
RATHER
NOT
RIGHT
NOW.

I
WANT
TO
ASK...

BUT
I DON'T
THINK I'D
BE ABLE TO
HANDLE THE
TRUTH IF
I ASKED
YOU NOW
...

IT'S
JUST MY
INSTINCT
...

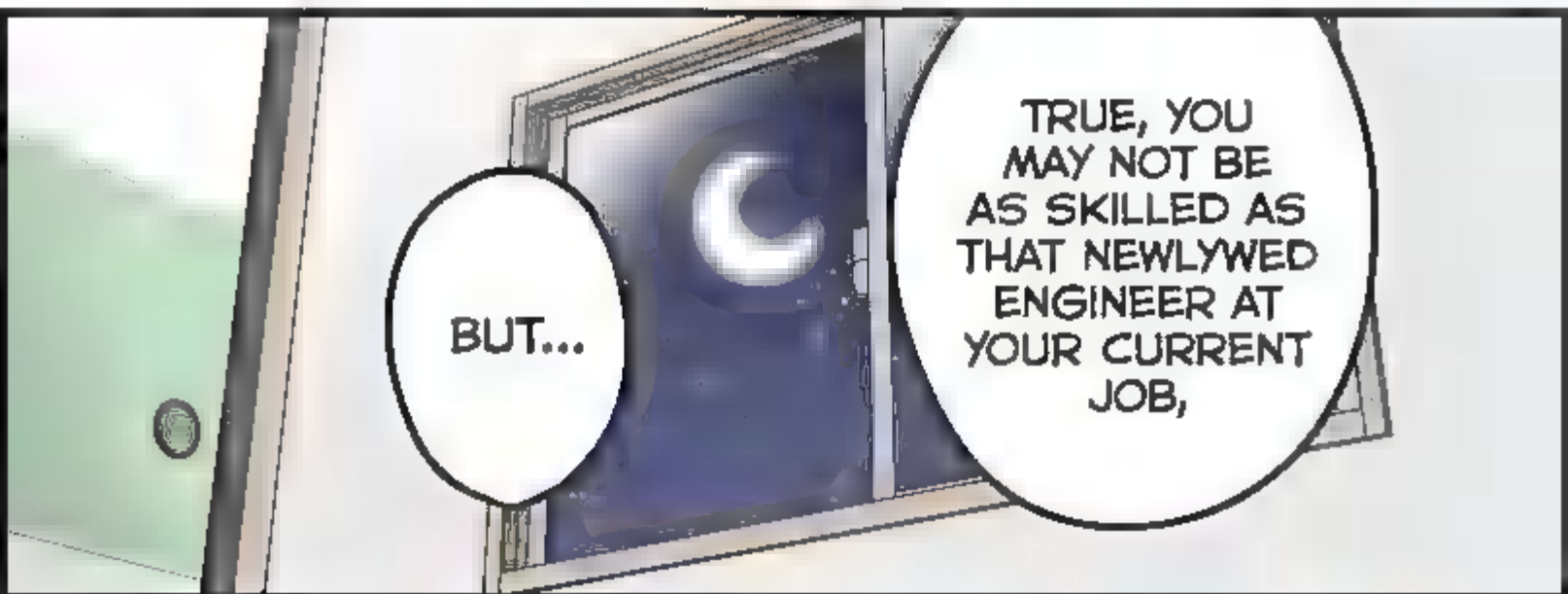
♪
♪
♪



B-BUT...

HAVE
SOME
CONFIDENCE
IN YOURSELF.

OHH,
WHY'RE YOU
SOUNDING
SO
UNRELIABLE
NOW?




BUT...

TRUE, YOU
MAY NOT BE
AS SKILLED AS
THAT NEWLYWED
ENGINEER AT
YOUR CURRENT
JOB,



YOU
STILL
HAVE
YOUR
COOKING,
NO?

HAJIME-
SAN,



R-
REALLY
...?



BUT
YOU'LL BE
ONE OF
THE BEST
COOKS
EVER,
HAJIME-
SAN!

YOU MAY
NOT BE
THE BEST
IN ENGI-
NEERING
SKILLS...

OH,
UHH...
WELL...

WHY DIDN'T
YOU FIND
A COOKING
RELATED
JOB?

YOU'RE ACTU-
REALLY ALLY,
GOOD HAJIME-
AT SAN...
COOK-
ING.

SO
I THOUGHT
I WOULDN'T
GET POPULAR
BECAUSE
THERE WAS
NO SURPRISE
IN THAT...

COOKS ARE
GOOD AT
COOKING...

OH YEAH,
THAT'S
RIGHT.

.....

YOU STILL
WANT TO BE
POPULAR?

HAJIME-
SAN...

AND WANT
MORE
GIRLS...

SO I
GUESS
YOU'RE
JUST
BORED
OF ME

I'M FINE
WITH JUST
BEING
POPULAR
WITH YOU,
HIMEKA-
SAN....!

I...

O-OF
COURSE
NOT...!

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DO YOU
FEEL
A BIT
BETTER
NOW?



THEN
THAT'S
GREAT☆

I FEEL
A WHOLE
LOT MORE
MOTIVATED.

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HOW'RE
YOU
FEELING
NOW?



HAJIME-
SAN,

SO I WAS
WONDERING
WHAT I SHOULD
DO TO BECOME
A CHEF...



OKAY.

OF
"BAMBINO!"
(A MANGA
AIMED AT
CHEFS)



AND
I'VE READ
EVERY SINGLE
VOLUME

SHE
REALIZED
THIS WAS
GOING TO
BE A LONG
RIDE.



AND THE
STRICTNESS
SCARED
THE PANTS
OFF ME.

I SEE...

ほっ...

OH...
HUH...

BUT YEAH,
I CAN'T KEEP READING
MANGA ALL THE TIME
OR NOTHING WILL
HAPPEN, SO I JUST
WENT AND GOT A JOB.

HUUH.
SO IT
MUST
BE A
POPULAR
PLACE.

IT'S A SMALL RESTAURANT,
BUT THE PEOPLE THERE TREAT
THEIR DASHI PROPERLY,
CUT THEIR VEGETABLES
BEAUTIFULLY, AND FIRE
THEIR FISH TO PERFECTION.

...

THEY ALSO
CHOSE A HOR-
RIBLE PLACE
TO BUILD THE
RESTAURANT,
SO I DON'T
THINK THEY'RE
GOING TO
PROFIT.

NO. THEY'RE SO
SENSITIVE ABOUT
THEIR COOKING
AND SEASONING,
THE RESTAURANT
GARNERED A BAD
REPUTATION.

OKAY...

BUT BECAUSE IT'S
SO SUBDUED, ONLY
PEOPLE WHO KNOW
ABOUT THE PLACE
EAT THERE. THAT'S
WHY I FIGURED
IT WOULD BE THE
PERFECT PLACE TO
HONE MY SKILLS.

WHAT'S
HE LIKE?

SO
HAJIME-SAN,
THE MAN-
AGER OF THE
RESTAURANT
YOU'RE
WORKING
AT...

LIKE BEFORE,
WHEN I ASKED
HIM "WHY DO
YOU COOK
SO WELL?"...

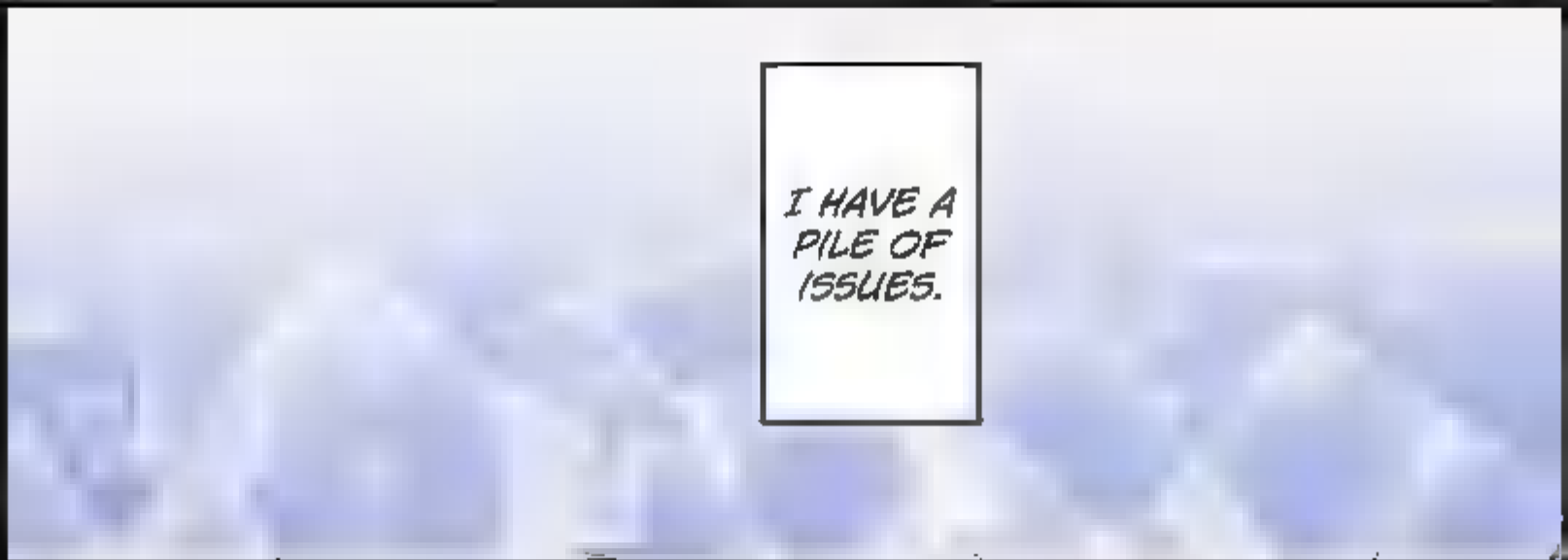
HE'S
A GOOD
GUY. A BIT
WEIRD
THOUGH.

BECAUSE
I MADE SURE
TO USE EVERY
PENNY I HAD
TO EAT SOME
OF THE
GREATEST
FOOD IN THE
WORLD...!


WELL,
YOU
SEE...

HUH,
HE SOUNDS
LIKE ONE
INTEREST-
ING GUY.

...IS WHAT
HE SAID.




I HAVE A
PILE OF
ISSUES.



THE VAGUE
PANIC OF
FEELING
LIKE I HAVE
TO DO
SOMETHING.

SO MANY
WOR-
RIES
I CAN'T
WOR- CARRY
RIES THEM
FOR THE ALL.
FUTURE.



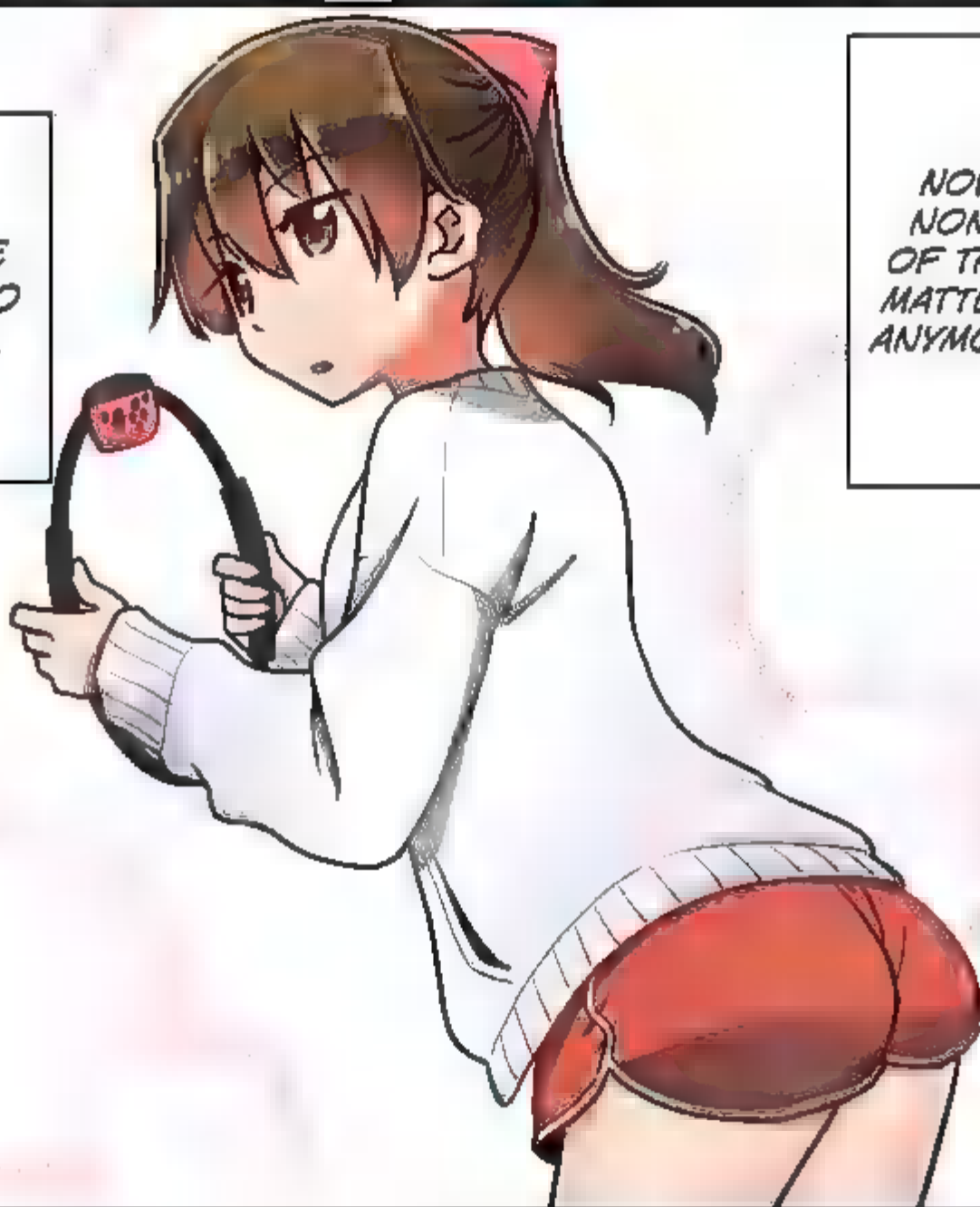
AND THERE
SHOULD BE
A MOUNTAIN
OF THINGS
I HAVE TO
DO, BUT...

THERE'S
A TON
OF
PROB-
LEMS



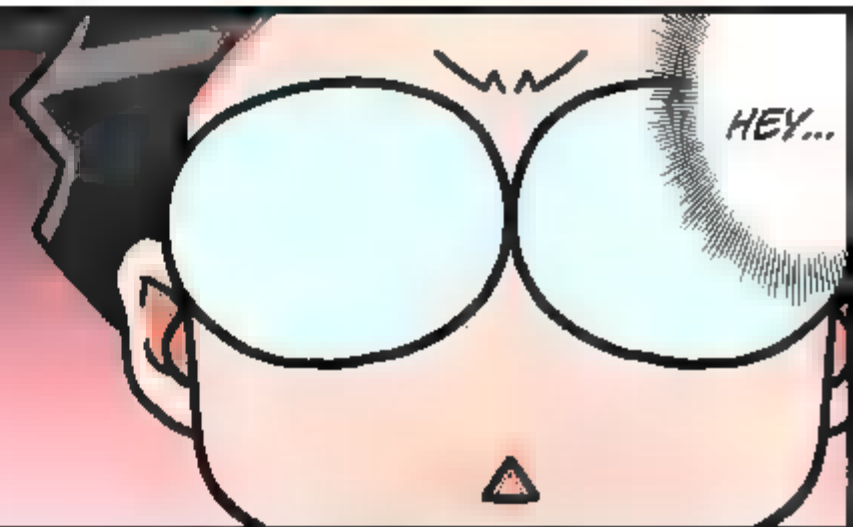
YOU'RE
JUST SO
CUTE...

NOW
NONE
OF THAT
MATTERS
ANYMORE.



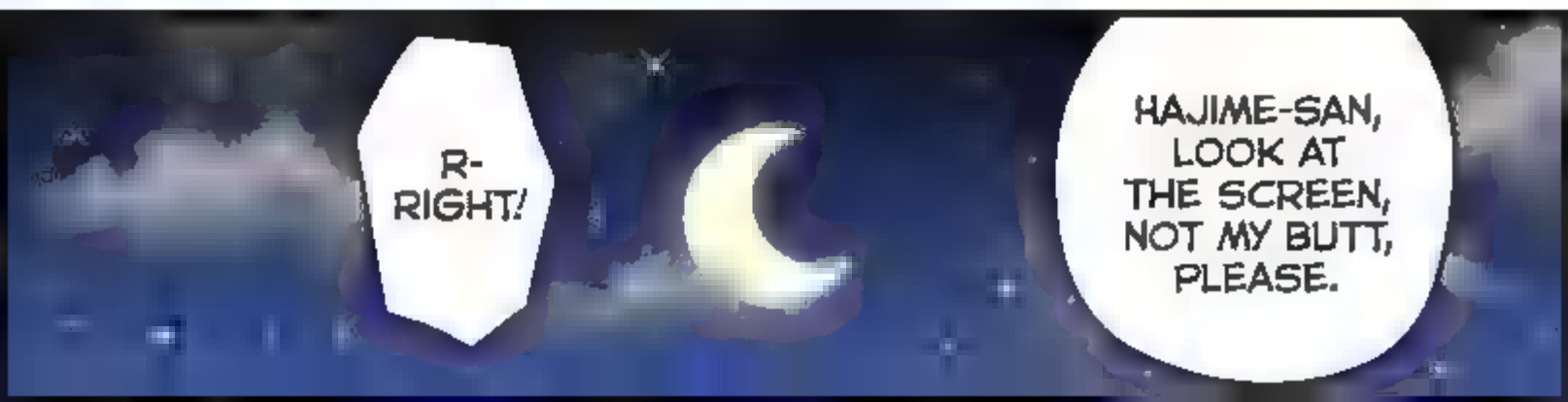
NOW
I WANNA
GET
MARRIED
WITH
HER...!

HEY...



R-
RIGHT!

HAJIME-SAN,
LOOK AT
THE SCREEN,
NOT MY BUTT,
PLEASE.



HOW IS
YOUR
NEW
JOB...?

SO
HAJIME-
SAN,

おはよう...

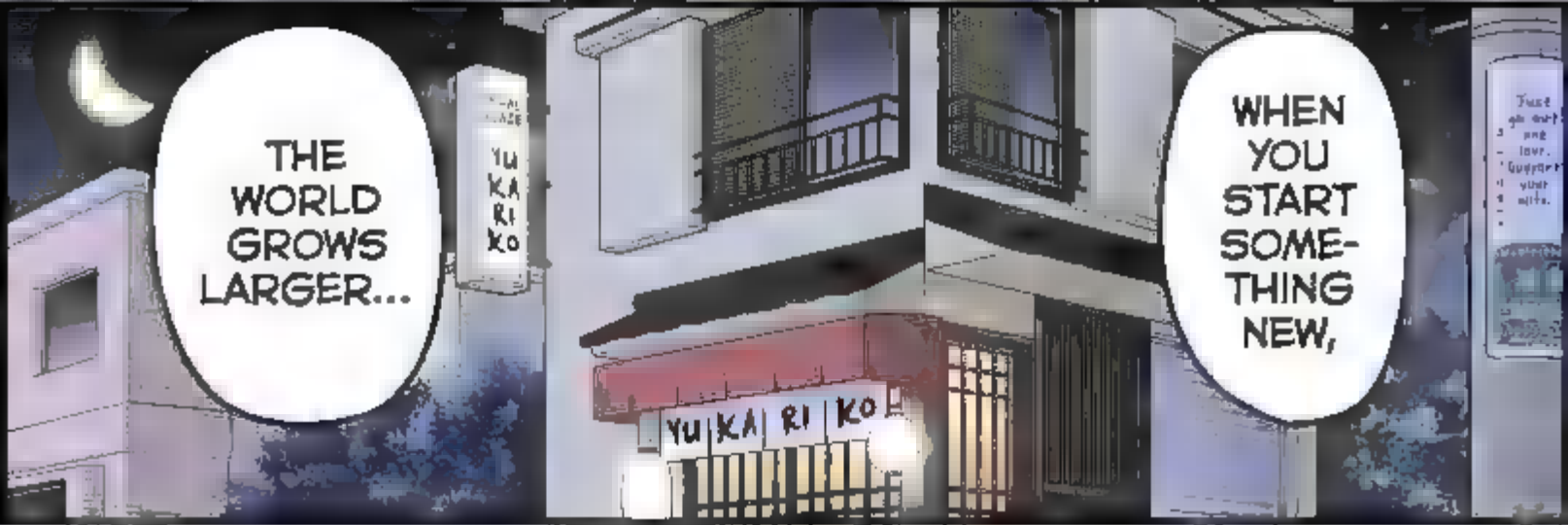
IT'S VERY
FUN.

WELL,

THIS
CHAIN OF
SURPRISES
HAS
OPENED
MY EYES.

HOW DO I
PUT THIS,
I FEEL
LIKE...

WHAT
DO YOU
MEAN...?

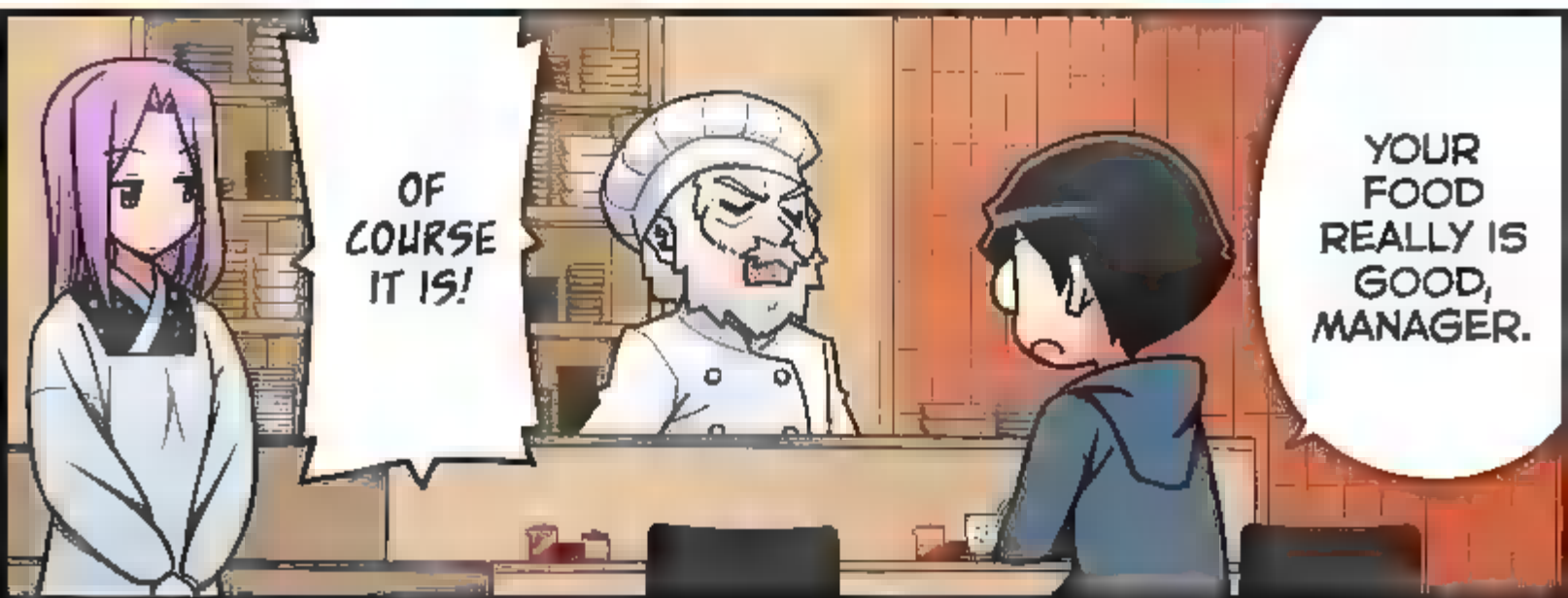


THE
WORLD
GROWS
LARGER...

WHEN
YOU
START
SOME-
THING
NEW,

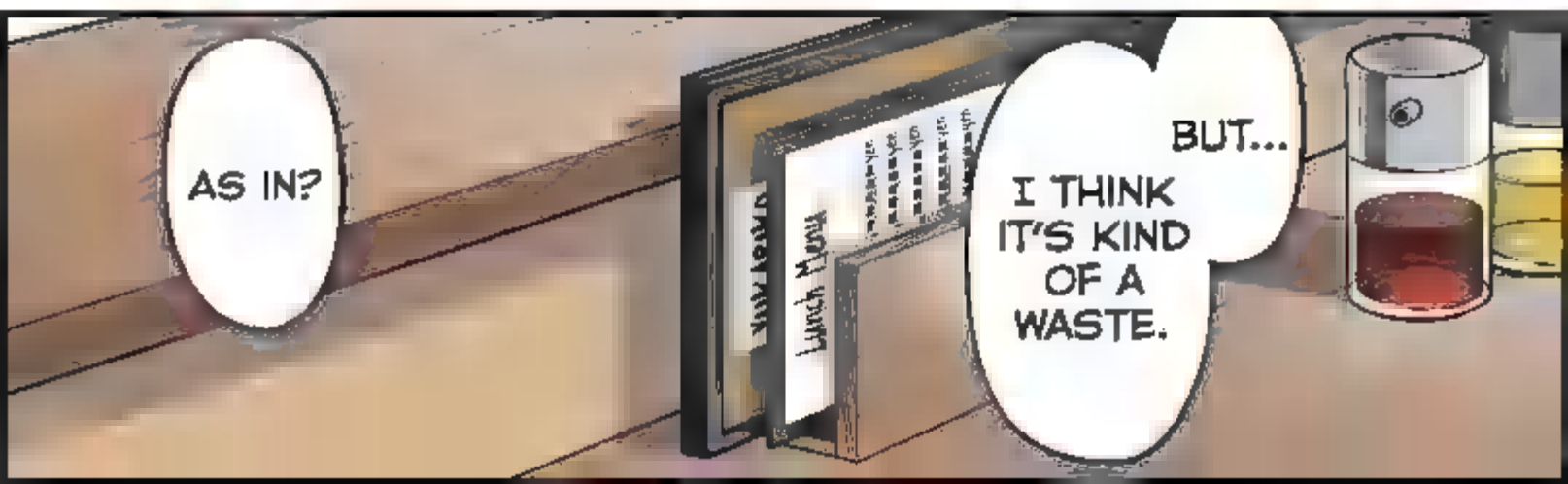


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ン



OF
COURSE
IT IS!

YOUR
FOOD
REALLY IS
GOOD,
MANAGER.



AS IN?

BUT...
I THINK
IT'S KIND
OF A
WASTE.



BUT THE
STORE
ISN'T
POPULAR
AT ALL...

ガラ...

I MEAN,
YOU'RE
SO
GOOD
AT IT,



THEN MAYBE
YOU'LL
BECOME AN
INSTANT HIT,
MANAGER...

WHY
DON'T
YOU TRY
SEASON-
ING IT IN A
WAY THAT'S
EASIER FOR
PEOPLE TO
UNDER-
STAND?

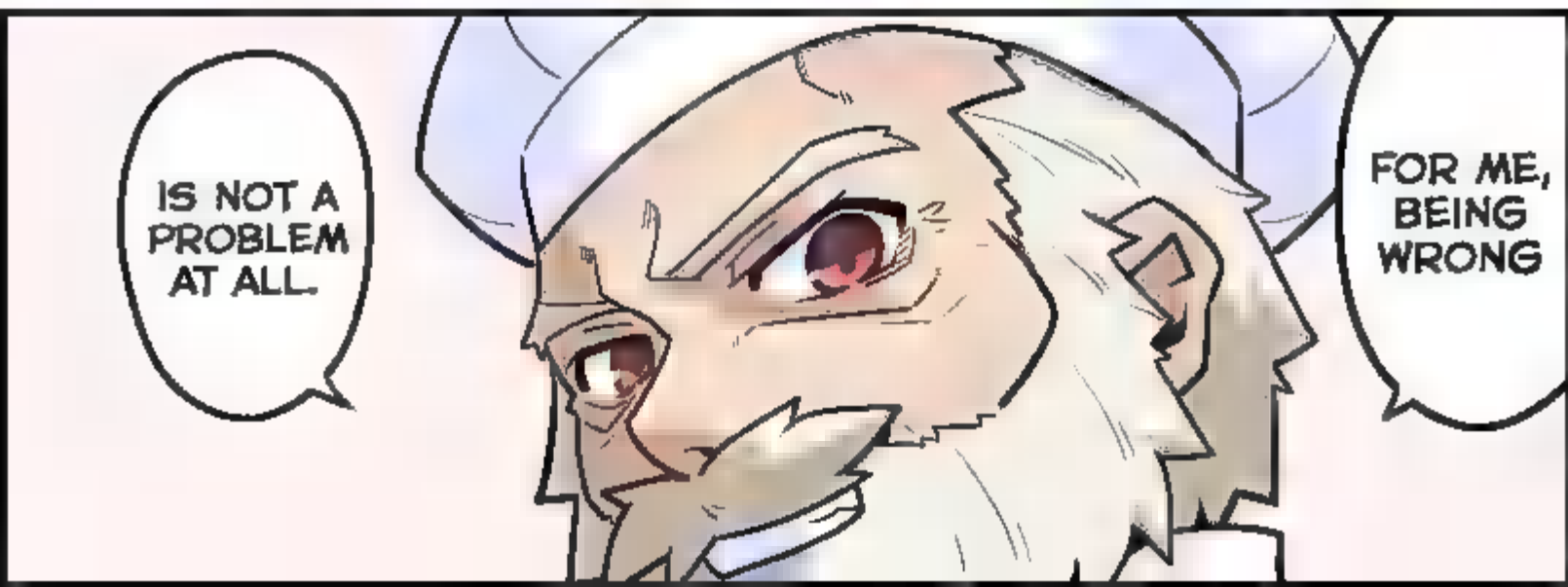
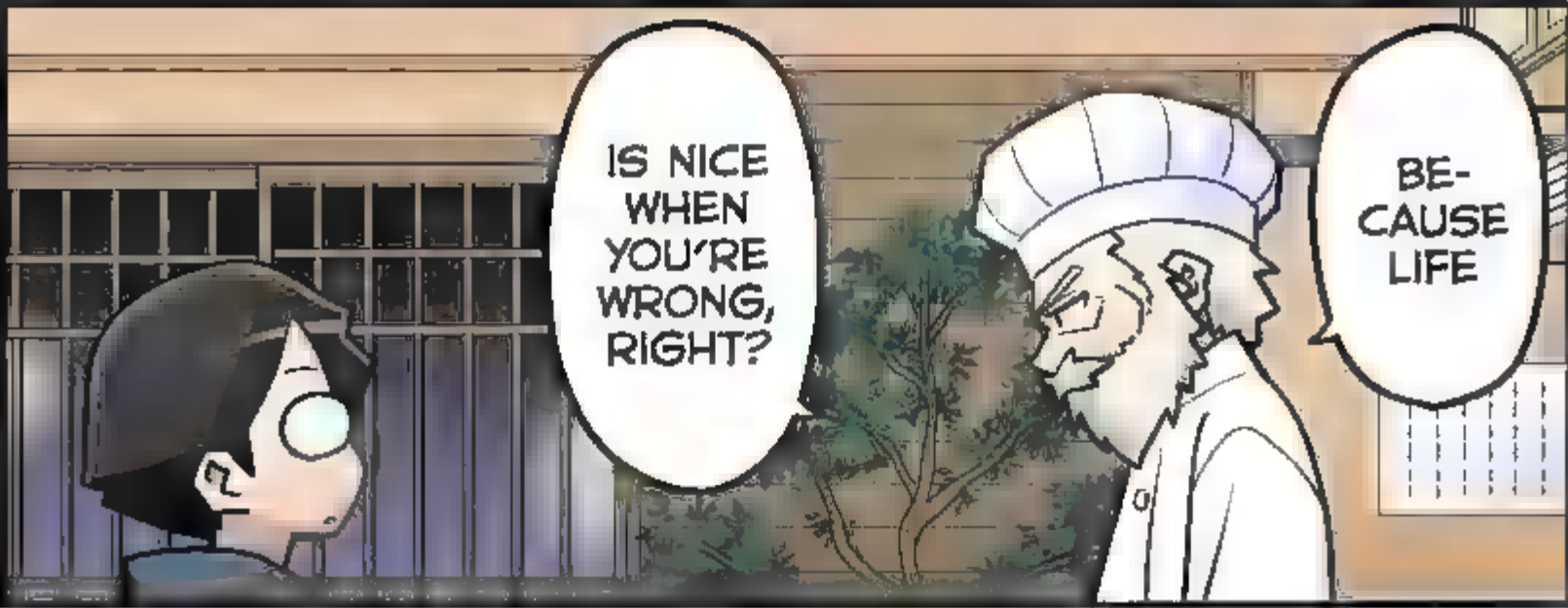



THAT'S
WHY
YOU'RE
100%
RIGHT
TO SAY
THAT!

YEAH. THAT
"EASY TO
UNDERSTAND"
FACTOR IS
VERY IMPOR-
TANT FOR
ATTRACTING
CUSTOMERS.



THEN
WHY...





SO
DON'T
BRING
YOUR OWN
DAMN
MORALS
INTO
THIS.

IT'S
NOT LIKE
EVERYONE'S
TRYING TO
AIM TO BE
AT TOP.



THAT
GRANTS
YOU ANY
WISH YOU
HAVE.

BECAUSE
THERE
AIN'T NO
MAGIC
POWER



WHAT I
WANNA
DO.

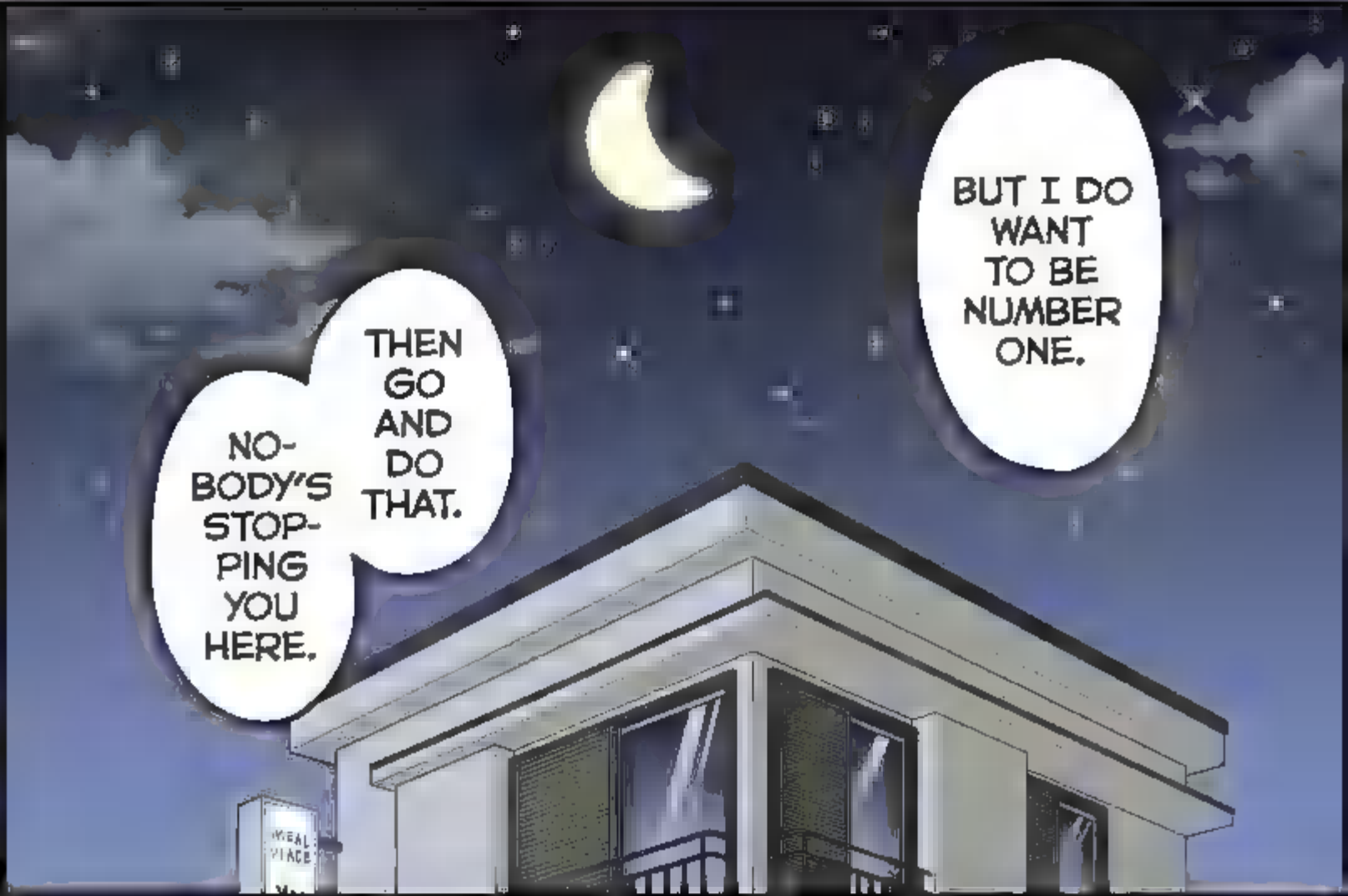
I'M
JUST
DO-
ING



THAT'S
WHY...



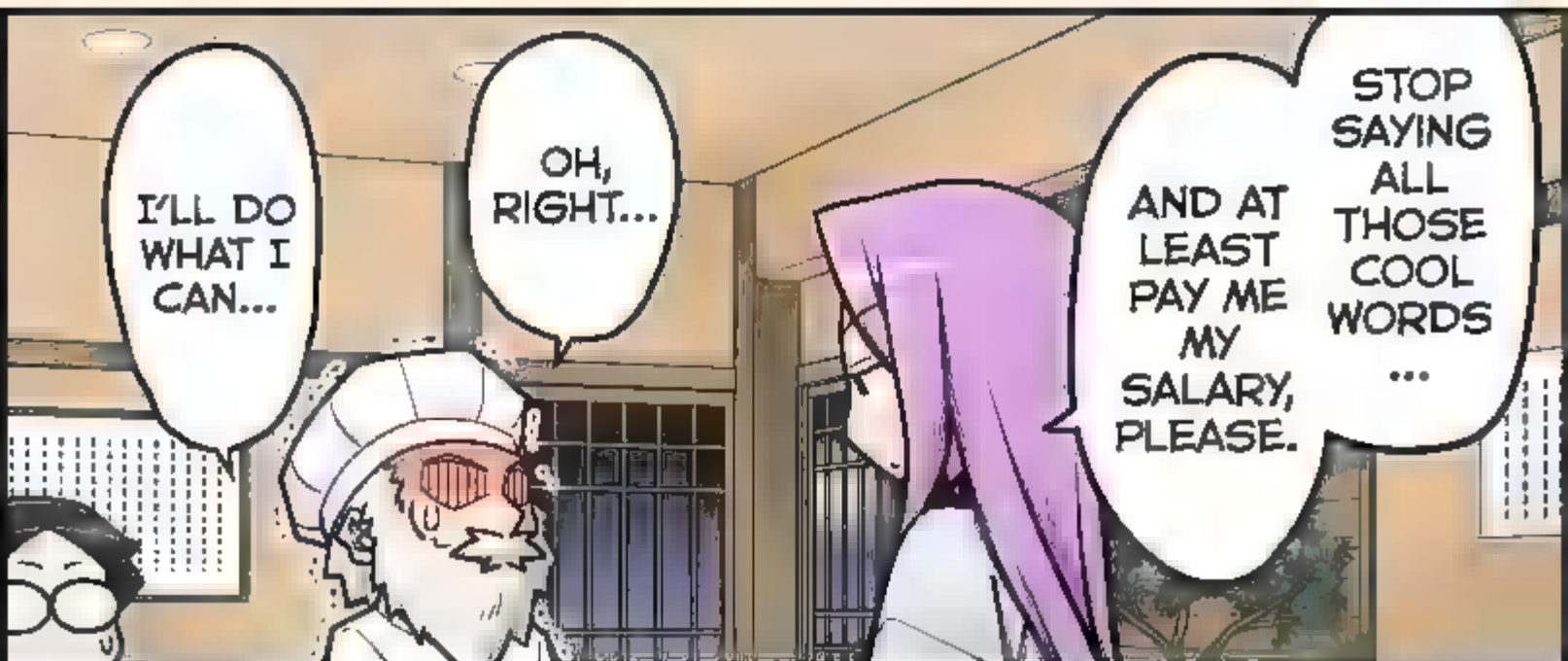
...



NO-
BODY'S
STOP-
PING
YOU
HERE.

THEN
GO
AND
DO
THAT.

BUT I DO
WANT
TO BE
NUMBER
ONE.



I'LL DO
WHAT I
CAN...

OH,
RIGHT...

AND AT
LEAST
PAY ME
MY
SALARY,
PLEASE.

STOP
SAYING
ALL
THOSE
COOL
WORDS
...



I-I SEE...

AND I'M
SCARED
TO BE
ALONE
WITH
HER...
THAT'S
WHY I'M
LOOKING
FOR NEW
EMPLOY-
EES...

HE'S VERY
RESPECTABLE,
AND I'D LIKE TO
LIVE MY LIFE
THE WAY HE
DOES...

THE MAN-
AGER'S AN
INTEREST-
ING GUY.

SO
THAT'S HUH...
WHAT
HAP-
PENED...

EH?

IS ALSO
THANKS
TO YOU,
HIMEKA-
SAN.
AND
THIS
...

A
HUNDRED
DAYS
SINCE
I MET
YOU...

I'VE TRIED
COUNTING
THE DAYS
AND IT'S
ALMOST A
HUNDRED
NOW.



AND MY
WORLD
GREW SO
LARGE...

AFTER
I MET
YOU,
I
LEARNED HIMEKA-
SO MANY SAN...
THINGS...



AND
NOTHING
WOULD
HAVE
CHANGED.

JUST
LAZING
AROUND
IN MY
ROOM

I
WOULD
HAVE
SPENT
THOSE
100
DAYS

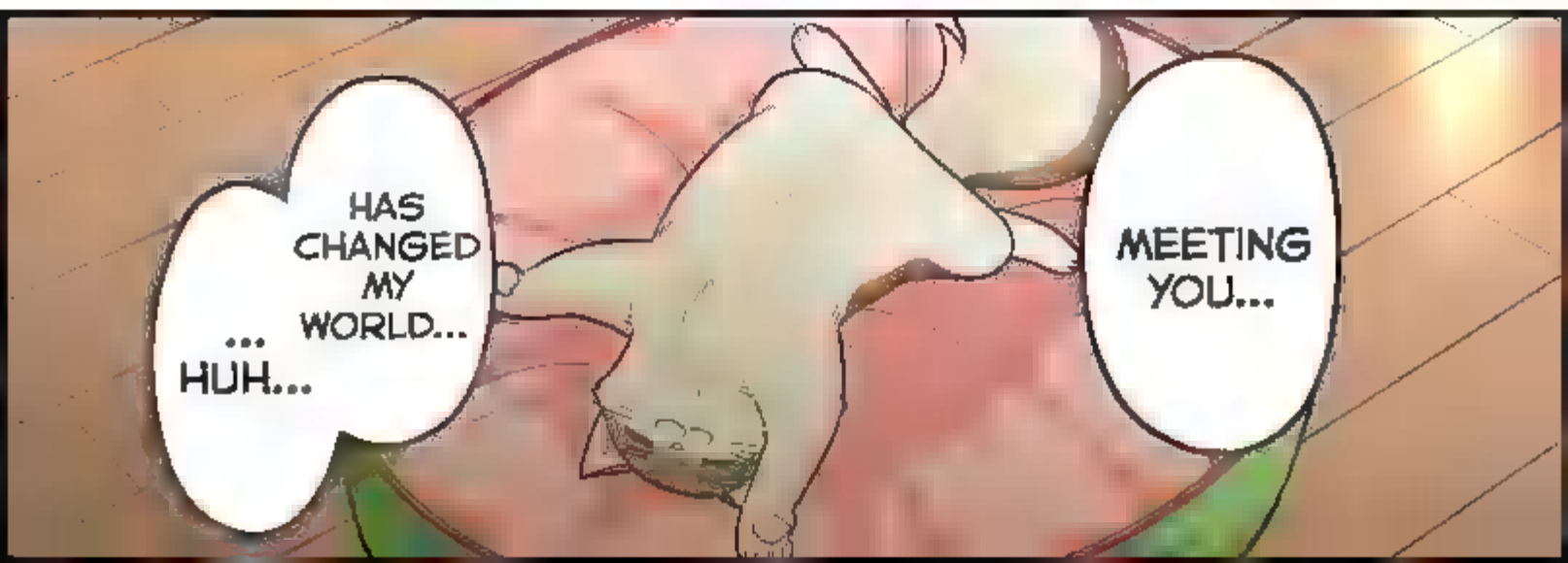
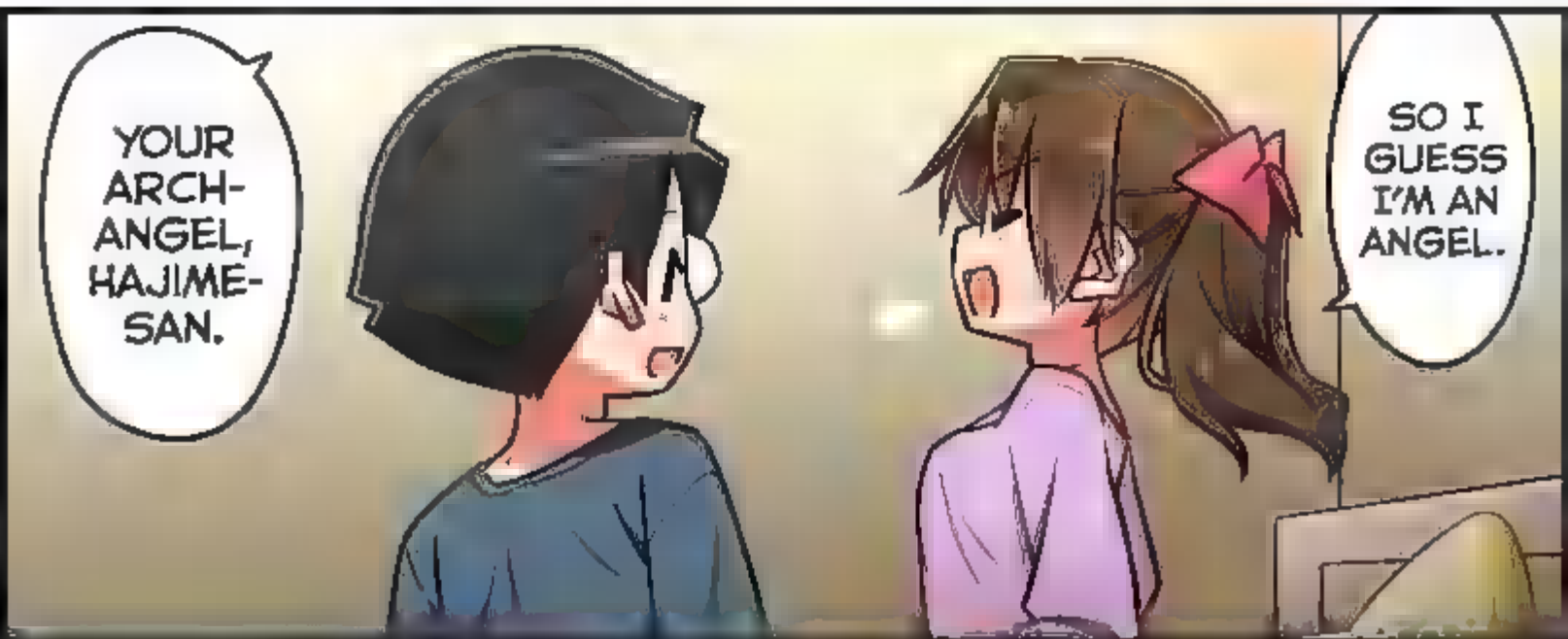
IF I
NEVER
MET
YOU,



A
PURPOSE
AND
MEANING
...

GAVE
THOSE
100
DAYS

SO
MEETING
YOU...





I CAN
SAY THE
SAME
THING.

THANK
YOU,
HAJIME-
SAN.



HAS
CHANGED
MY
WORLD
OVER
THESE
100
DAYS...

MEETING
YOU...

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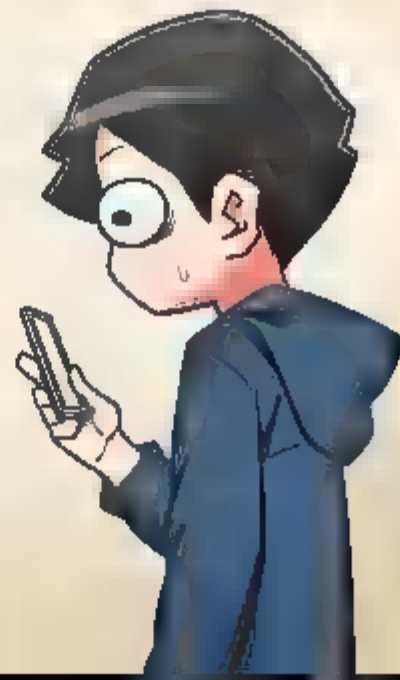


THEY
DELIVERED
SOME REALLY
SHOCKING
NEWS FROM
THE ENTER-
TAINMENT
WORLD...



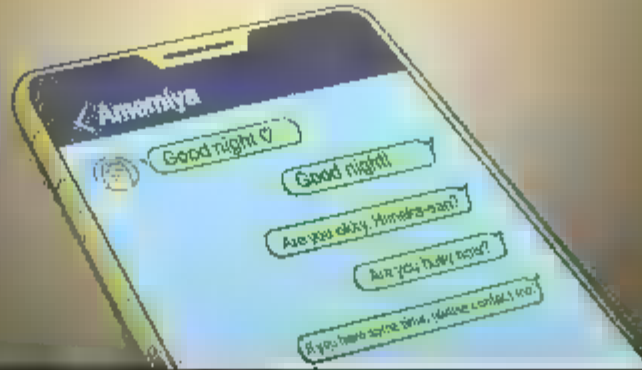
THAT
DAY

I WAS
THE MOST
SHOCKED
OF THEM
ALL.



BUT I
THINK...

SHE NEVER TOOK MY CALLS AND SHE DIDN'T READ ANY OF MY MESSAGES.



I STOPPED BEING ABLE TO CONTACT HIMEKA-SAN.

I FOUND OUT WHAT AFTER SEEING THAT, SHE WAS AND WHAT KIND OF LIMBO I SENT HER TO.

Popular idol Amemiya Himeka retires. Fans voice their laments.



ON THE OTHER HAND, THE TV AND INTERNET WERE FLOODED WITH HIMEKA-SAN NEWS.

AND TRIED TO CHEER HER ON AS SHE STEPPED INTO A NEW LIFE.

AMEMIYA HIMEKA RETIRES

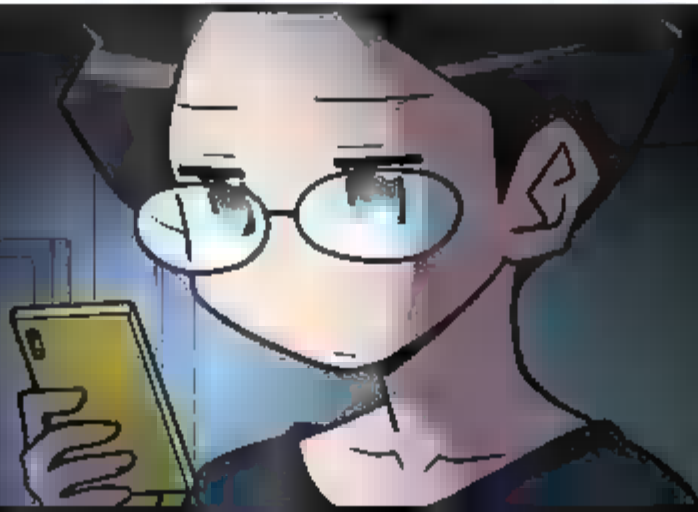


THEY TALKED OF MEMORIES

A LOT OF PEOPLE WERE RELUCTANT TO PART WAYS WITH HER.

YOUR FAVORITE OF HER WHILE SHE WAS ON AIR?

SEEMED LIKE SOMEONE I HAD NO IDEA ABOUT.



BUT TO BE HONEST, THE AMEMIYA HIMEKA THEY SPOKE SO FONDLY OF

SO IT
WAS LIKE
SHE WAS
NEVER
THERE.

THE
ROOM
WAS
ALREADY
VACATED,

BUT BASED
ON THE
NEARBY
CONVER-
SATIONS
I HEARD,

I EVEN
TRIED
GOING
TO HER
HOUSE,

FELT
LIKE A
HUGE
DREAM.

THESE
100
DAYS

WERE THEY
ALL AN
ILLUSION?

THE
FEELING
OF LIPS
TOUCH-
ING,

THE FUN
MEMORIES,

WAS AN
AMAZING
GIRL...

HIMEKA-
SAN...

COULD
ATTRACT
SOMEONE
SO
AMAZING...

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+

THERE
WAS
NO WAY
SOMEONE
LIKE ME

I'M
ACTUALLY
FINE WITH
THIS...

THAT'S
WHY...

AND
NEVER
...

I'LL KEEP
ALL THOSE
FUN
MEMORIES
IN MY
CHEST...

...

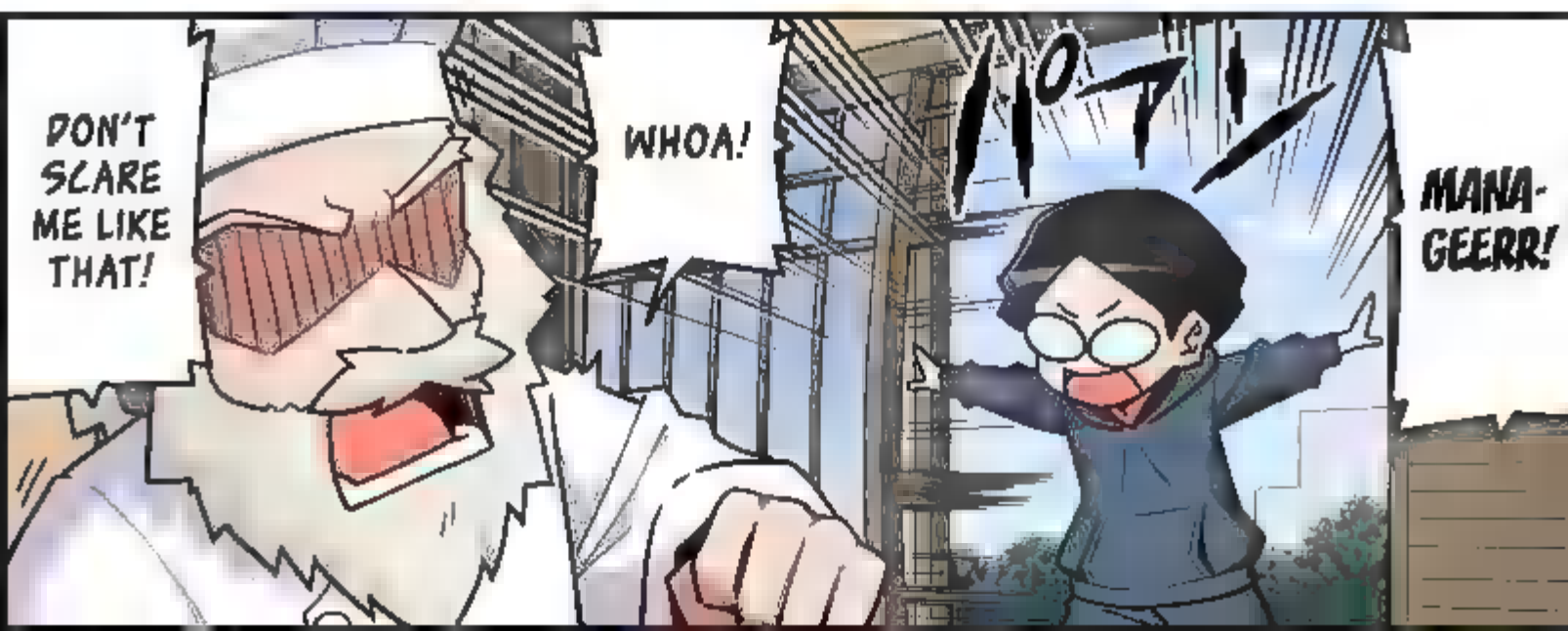


OVER
THE
PAST
100
DAYS.



THAT
WASN'T
WHAT I
LEARNED

...

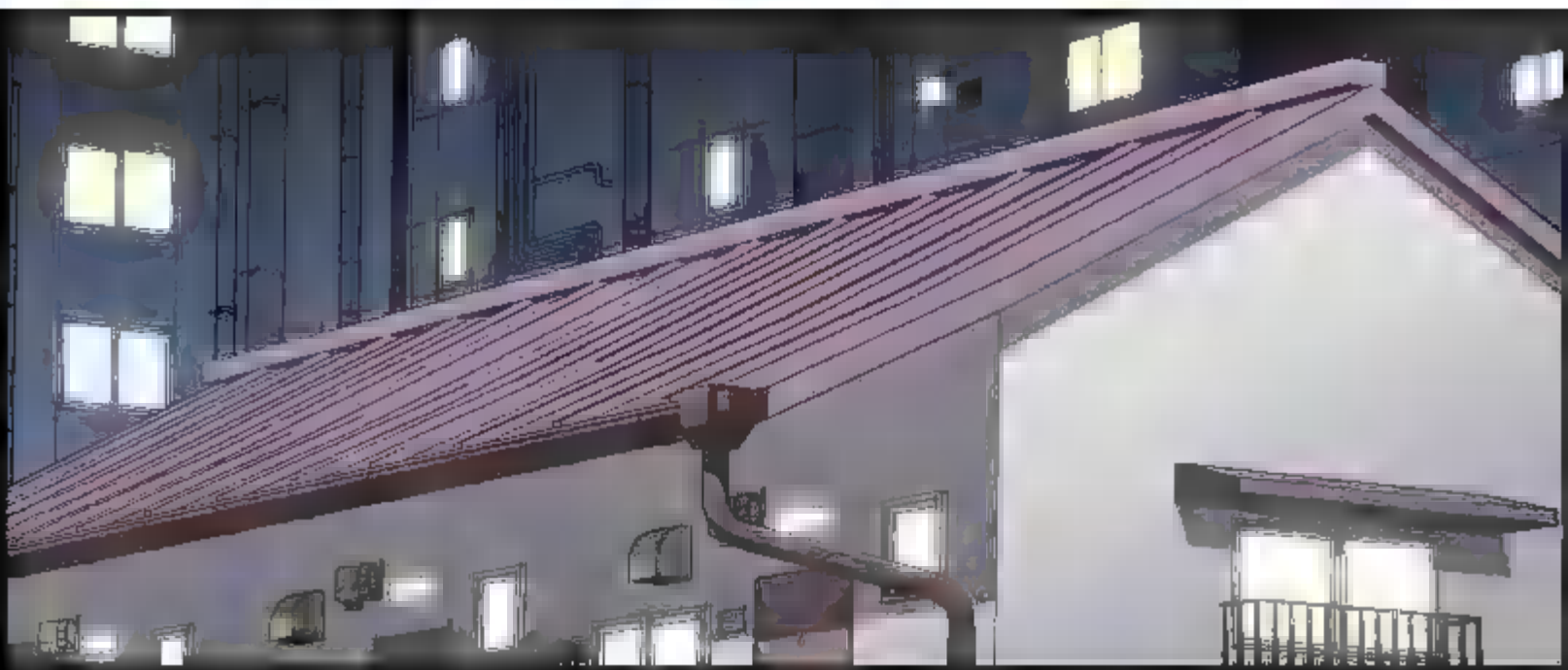
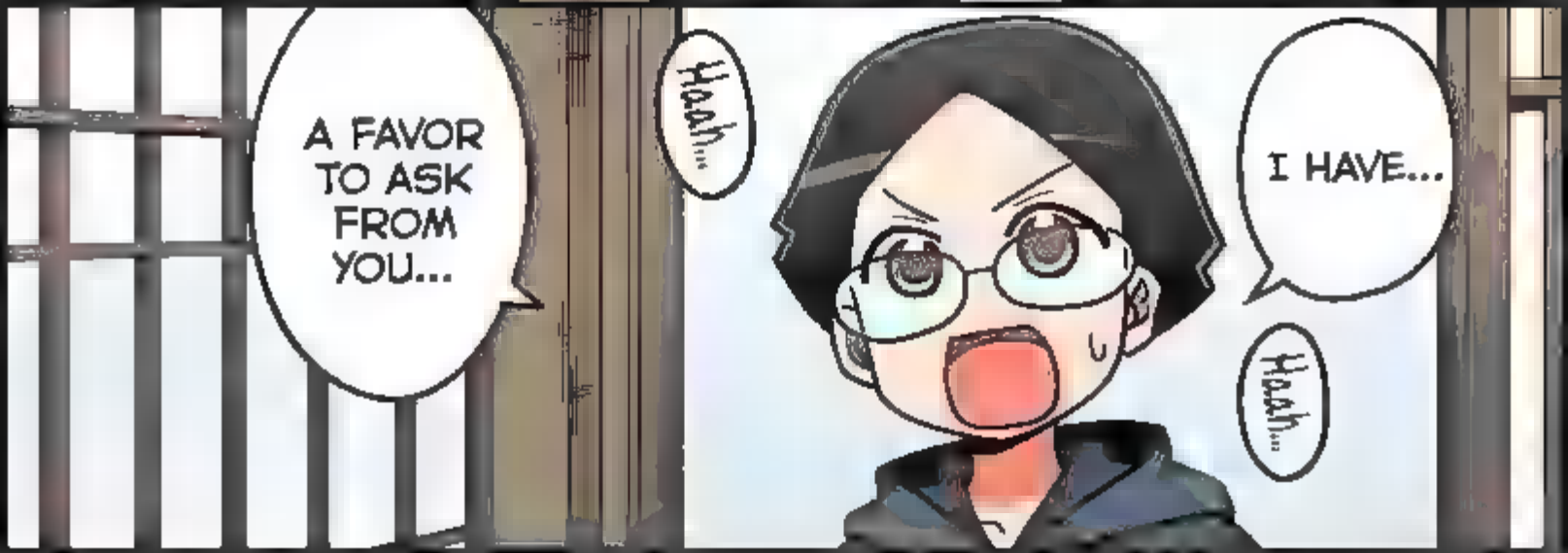


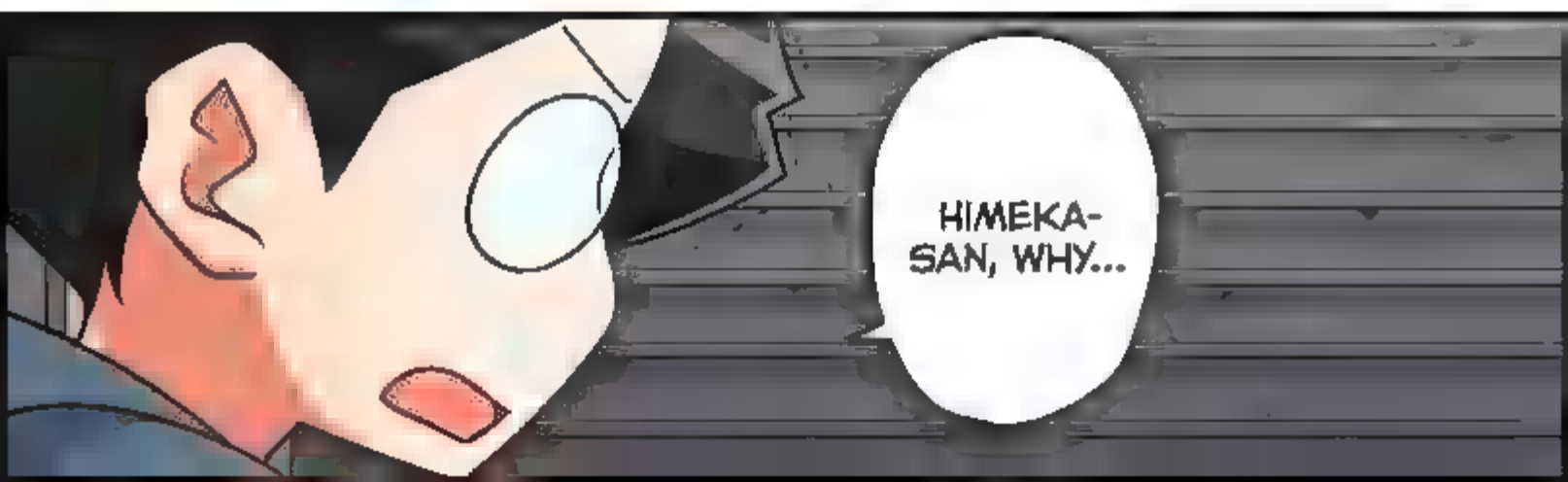
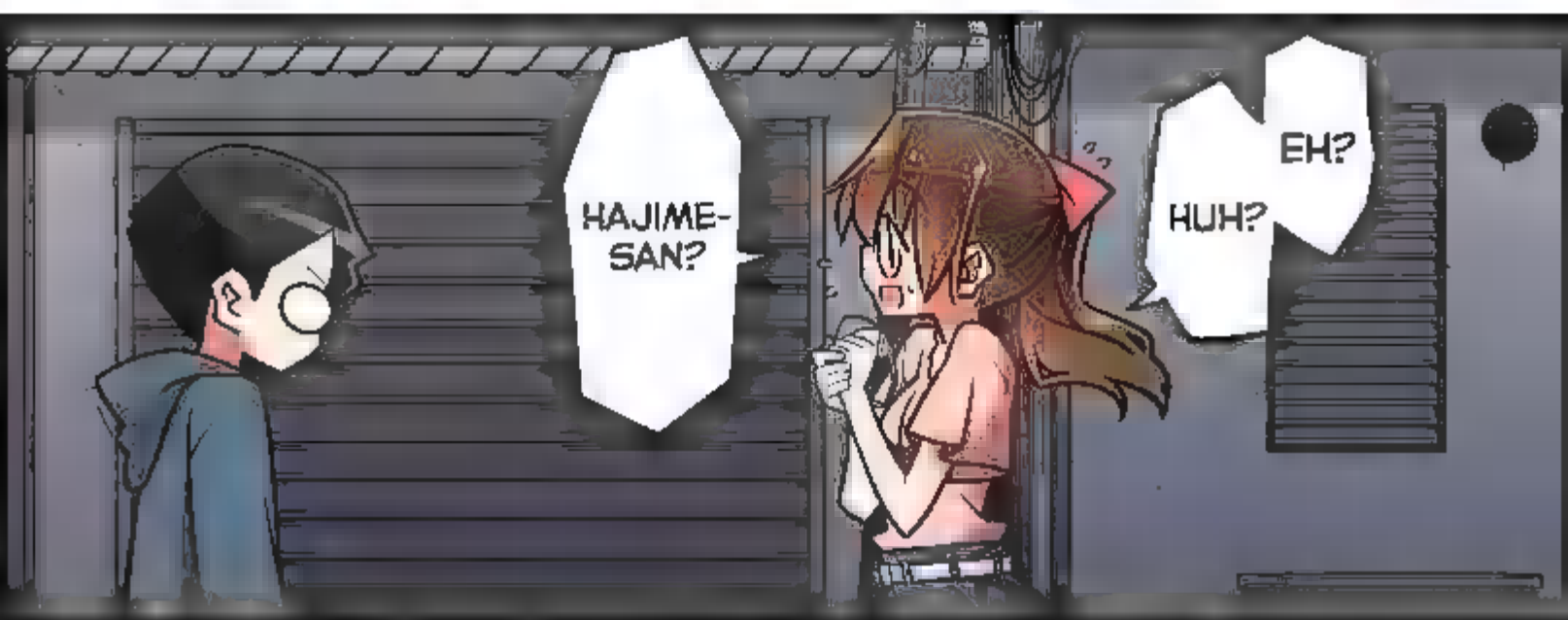
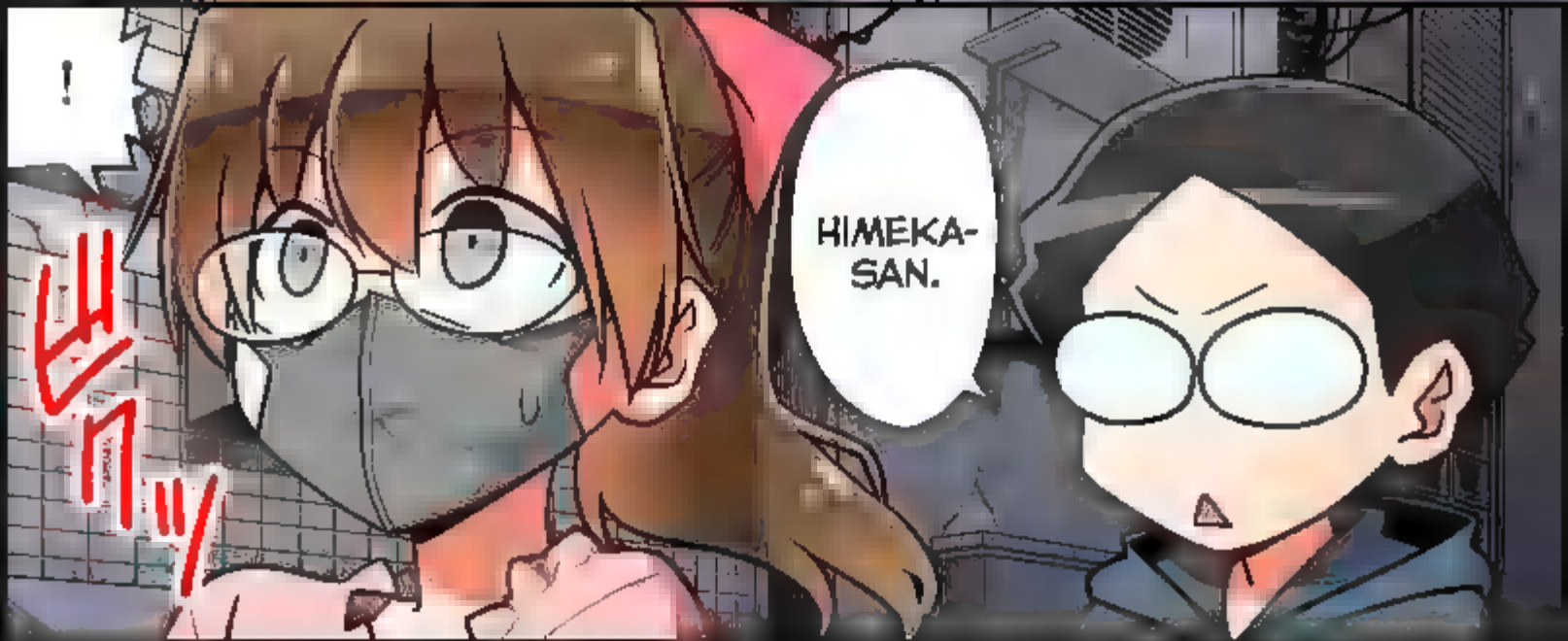
DON'T
SCARE
ME LIKE
THAT!

WHOA!

NO!!

MANA-
GEERR!







NOW
OF ALL
TIMES!

DID YOU
BREAK
YOUR
PHONE



.....



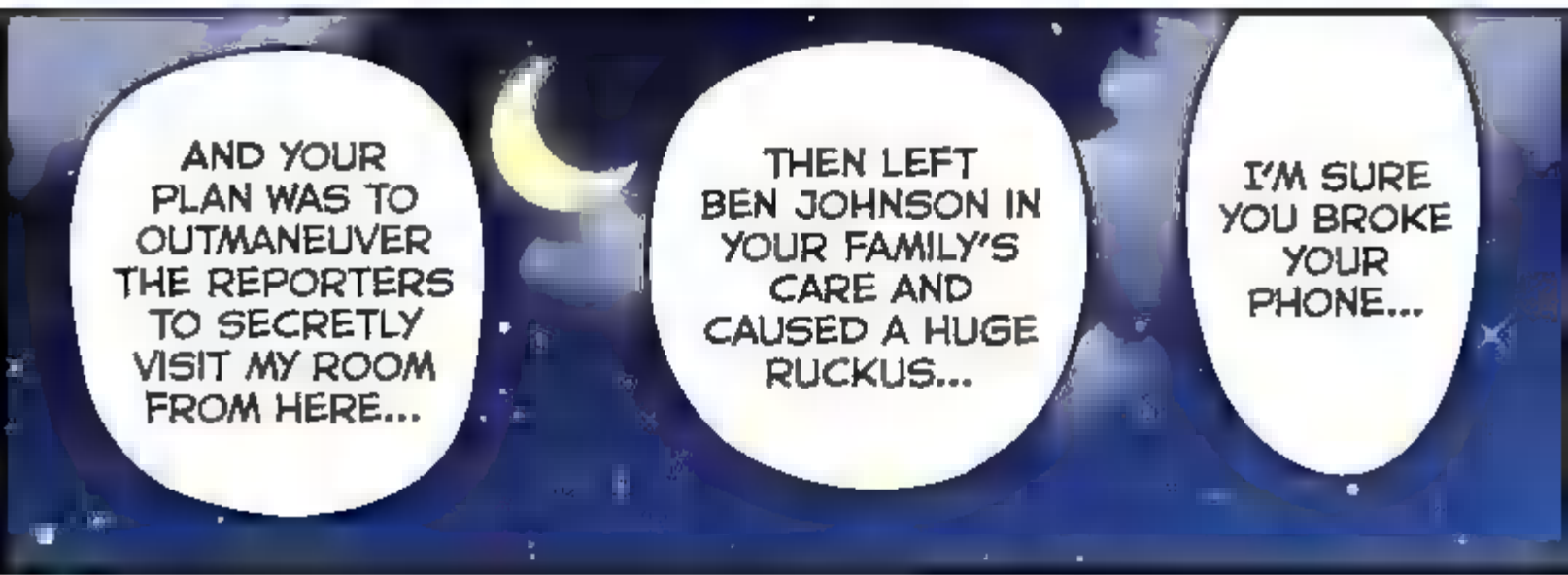
I DID!

AH...
YOU
FIGURED
IT OUT...?



EVERY-
THING
ABOUT
YOU!

BECAUSE
I UNDER-
STAND...





I DO.

YOU
REALLY
DO SEE
THROUGH
EVERY-
THING.

I
SEE...



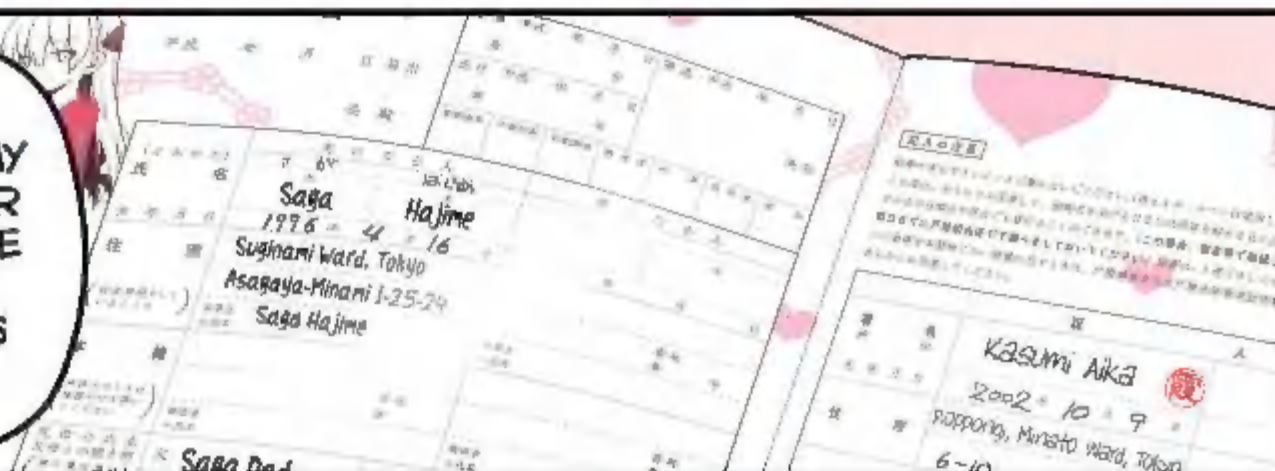
LET'S
DO THIS.

NOW...



TODAY,
JUNE 27,
WILL BE
A DAY TO
REMEMBER
FOR ALL
TIME.

I
ASKED MY
MANAGER
TO SERVE
AS A
WITNESS
TO ME.



SO
PLEASE
...
GET
MARRIED
WITH ME!



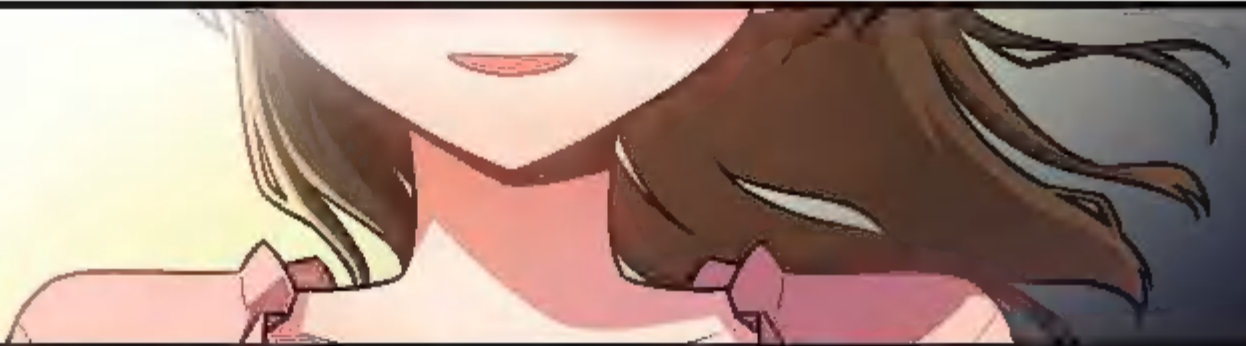
I'LL DO MY
BEST TO
MAKE YOU
HAPPY.



THE
FUTURE
IS
NEVER
SET IN
STONE.

BUT
I'M NOT
NERVOUS.

I'LL WAIT
FOR HER
ANSWER,



WILL SAY
NEXT.

WHAT
THIS
GIRL...



AND I'M
SURE I
KNOW

